



Week 5 Policymaking Assignment Template:

Please fill out the template in the boxes on the right side of each prompt. Each box will expand as you write. Please see the integrated Week 5 Policymaking assignment instructions, examples, sources, and grading rubric for guidance.

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State the name of your chosen topic from the provided list OR choose a topic of your own.

Free or Reduced-Cost Clinics

Provide a brief background of issues that may have led to the policy.

- In the United States, millions of individuals face high uninsured rates, which leaves them without access to affordable healthcare.
- The privatized healthcare system often prioritizes profit over ensuring universal access to necessary services.
- There are notable geographic disparities in healthcare availability, particularly in rural and underserved urban areas (Burch, 2022).
- Barriers to adolescent confidentiality in accessing sexual and reproductive health services can deter teens from seeking the care they need (Brandt et al., 2021).
- Economic inequality hinders low-income individuals from affording both preventive care and treatment for chronic diseases.
- Variations in state-level policies contribute to unequal access to healthcare services across the nation (Darnell S O'Brien, 2022).

How does the policy affect individuals domestically or internationally?

This policy impact individuals domestically by...

- Increasing access to preventive, primary, and chronic disease care for uninsured and low-income populations.
- Reducing avoidable hospital admissions by managing