U.S. Health care spending grew 4.6%, reaching $3.6 Trillion or $11,172 per person ¹.

However, for Indian Health Service patients the amount spent per person was only $4,078 per person ².

For urban IHS patients, UIOs received just $672 per American Indian/Alaska Native patient from the IHS Urban Indian line item ³.

The Declaration of National Indian Health Policy in the Indian Health Care Improvement Act States:

“Congress declares that it is the policy of this Nation, in fulfillment of its special trust responsibilities and legal obligations to Indians to ensure the highest possible health status for Indians and urban Indians and to provide all resources necessary to effect that policy.”

# PER PERSON SPENDING

2. Indian Health Service: Spending Levels and Characteristics of IHS and Three Other Federal Health Care Programs, data from 2017.
3. NCUIH calculation based on the 2018 Urban Indian Health line item, divided by the unduplicated Urban AI/AN service population, data from 2018.