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Dr. Brian Mercer, Chair of OB/GYN at The MetroHealth System released the following statement expressing his gratitude to state leaders for changing the eligibility policy for expecting mother’s and their children:

"The State of Ohio's effort to expand and improve the Medicaid eligibility program will speed up access to care for uninsured pregnant women and children. These families often have difficulty accessing health care, and this initiative will help break down this barrier for our patients. Our thanks go out to Governor Kasich, Director Moody and Director McCarthy for selecting The MetroHealth System to participate in this important effort to improve the health outcomes of expecting mothers and their children."

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