Social Factors Have Effects Beyond Health

The social conditions that cause differences in health also have profound effects in other sectors.

- Better health decisions, treatment adherence → Improved health status → Reduced Medicaid expenditures
- Proven education interventions → Higher worker productivity
- Improved health status → Increased private health insurance
- Higher worker productivity → Higher quality jobs
- Increased private health insurance → Increased state revenue
- Increased state revenue → Higher income
- Higher quality jobs → Higher quality jobs
- Higher income → Corporate Tax Inflows
- Reduced Medicaid expenditures → Lower crime
- Decreased poverty
- Lower welfare dependency

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