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Highlights

- To study effects of China's non-employment based health insurance on entrepreneurship
- Insurance increases self-employment rate in urban China by at least 8.73 percentage points
- Effects are large for the less educated, unhealthy, middle-aged, and senior workers
- We find no effect for the more educated, healthy, and young workers

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