The Devastating Consequences of Medicaid Cuts

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Nearly 303,200 Delawareans rely on Medicaid & CHIP

Cuts to Medicaid would disproportionately hurt children, older adults, people with disabilities, and people of color by eliminating their health care access and coverage.



Cutting Care for Children

Nearly 96% of eligible children in Delaware are supported by Medicaid and/or CHIP.² Cuts would disproportionately hurt children with the lowest incomes and the highest health care needs.³



Increasing Disparities for Communities of Color Medicaid covers more than 58% of adults of color in Delaware ages 18-65.⁵ A decrease in Medicaid funding would directly impact access to the communities that need it the most.



Cuts to Medicare Beneficiaries

Cuts to Medicaid could impact nearly 33,000 dually-eligible Delawareans who rely on the program to help pay their Medicare premiums and co-pays.⁷



Blocking Access for Pregnant Women and Newborns

Nearly 3,900 births (37%) in Delaware per year are covered by Medicaid. A cut to Medicaid would prevent mothers from obtaining the care they need.⁴



Curbing Health Care Access for People with Disabilities

Medicaid covers 45% of nonelderly adults with disabilities nationwide, roughly 10 million people.⁶ They depend on Medicaid for services in order to thrive in their communities.



Disrupting Nursing Home Care

Cuts to Medicaid could disrupt care for 63% of nursing home residents in Delaware who use Medicaid as their primary payer to stay in a nursing facility.⁸



House Republicans' Proposed Cuts Threaten Care For Americans At Risk

The House Republicans' bill puts nearly 82,600 Delawareans at risk of losing Medicaid coverage and could lead to gaps in health care coverage and undermine family economic security.⁹



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