The Devastating Consequences of Medicaid Cuts
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772,200 Mississippians rely on Medicaid & CHIP[1]

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
More than 93% of eligible children in Mississippi are supported by Medicaid and/or CHIP.[2] Cuts would disproportionately hurt children with the lowest incomes and the highest health care needs.[3]

Blocking Access for Pregnant Women and Newborns
More than 20,700 births (59%) in Mississippi per year are covered by Medicaid. A cut to Medicaid would prevent mothers from obtaining the care they need.[4]

Increasing Disparities for Communities of Color
Medicaid covers nearly 64% of adults of color in Mississippi ages 18-65.[5] A decrease in Medicaid funding would directly impact access to the communities that need it the most.

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.

Cuts to Medicare Beneficiaries
Cuts to Medicaid could impact nearly 164,200 dually-eligible Mississippians who rely on the program to help pay their Medicare premiums and co-pays.[7]

Disrupting Nursing Home Care
Cuts to Medicaid could disrupt care for 74% of nursing home residents in Mississippi who use Medicaid as their primary payer to stay in a nursing facility.[8]

Threatening Financial Stability of Community Hospitals
Any cut to Medicaid could decrease reimbursement for the 97 community hospitals in Mississippi, which could create uncertainty for the financial sustainability of the hospitals that are critical care access points and job creators in their local areas.[9]

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