NO MEDICAID CUTS

The Republican Plan for Medicaid Will Harm New Hampshire

More than <u>183,500</u> New Hampshirites rely on <u>Medicaid</u> and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

Republican Cuts to Medicaid Put New Hampshirites' Health and Coverage At-Risk

Every proposal on the Republican <u>wish list</u> of more than \$2 trillion in Medicaid cuts is bad news for New Hampshirites. Medicaid cuts would harm children, older adults, and families, ripping away their health care access and coverage. Republican Medicaid cuts would:

Cut Care for Children. Around 30% of children in New Hampshire are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP. Around 39% of kids with special health care needs, such as a physical or behavioral disability, rely on Medicaid in New Hampshire. Cuts would disproportionately hurt children with the lowest incomes and the highest health care needs.

Block Access for Pregnant Women and Newborns. Nearly 2,500 births (21%) in New Hampshire per year are covered by Medicaid. A cut to Medicaid would prevent mothers and babies from getting the care they need.

Increase Disparities for Communities of Color. Around 19% of children and adults with Medicaid in New Hampshire are people of color. A decrease in Medicaid funding would reduce access for the communities that need it the most.

Curb Health Care Access for People with Disabilities. Medicaid covers nearly 43,000 people with a disability in New Hampshire. Only 24% receive Supplemental Security

Income, meaning many do not qualify for Medicaid on the basis of their disability and could be subject to Republican policies like work reporting. People with disabilities often depend on Medicaid for services in order to thrive in their communities.

Create Barriers to Behavioral Health
Services. Nearly 23,000 Medicaid
beneficiaries were treated for a substance use
disorder in New Hampshire in 2021. Medicaid
cuts and eligibility restrictions threaten
lifesaving treatment for people with behavioral
health needs.

Cut Coverage for Medicare Beneficiaries.

Nearly 32,000 dually-eligible New Hampshirites rely on Medicaid to help pay their Medicare premiums and co-pays. For these enrollees, a cut to Medicaid is a cut to Medicare.

Disrupt Nursing Home Care. Cuts to Medicaid could disrupt care for <u>64%</u> of nursing home residents in New Hampshire who use Medicaid to pay for care in a nursing home.

Bottom Line:

Republican proposals to cut Medicaid will result in New Hampshirites losing Medicaid coverage—and there is no acceptable coverage loss. No Medicaid cuts to New Hampshirites to fund tax handouts to billionaires.



