

## **Alaskans Are Sick of Rising Costs and Losing Coverage Thanks to the GOP Health Care Disaster**

*Protect Our Care's Nationwide Grassroots Campaign, "Sick of It! Fix Health Care Now," is Giving Voice to Alaskans Sick of President Trump and Republicans in Congress Gutting Our Health Care System*

People across Alaska are sick of choosing between affording health care and putting food on the table. Donald Trump and Republicans, including Senators Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan, have cut over \$1 trillion from health care to fund tax breaks for billionaires and big corporations, causing nearly 8 million Americans to lose their Affordable Care Act (ACA) or Medicaid/CHIP coverage — including over 25,000 Alaskans. [Premiums](#) have doubled for 24,249 Alaskans and nearly [22 million families](#) nationwide. and cuts to Medicaid are putting seniors, sick kids, moms, and disabled Americans at risk of losing access to lifesaving medical treatments. Alaskans are dropping coverage they can no longer afford, delaying care, rationing medications, and living with the constant fear that an emergency could push them deeper into debt.

Meanwhile, 7 hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes in Alaska have been forced to shut down, cut services, or are at risk of doing so following the GOP health care cuts. Entire communities are being stranded without essential care. For too many Alaskans, getting the care they need now means traveling farther, waiting longer, paying more, or going without it altogether. [Health care leaders](#) are sounding the alarm as they are forced to close maternity wards, scale back critical care units, and lay off team members to balance their budgets.

As the full impact of these cuts continues to unfold, more families are expected to lose coverage, more providers will face difficult financial decisions, and more communities will be left without the care they depend on.

### **BY THE NUMBERS: Alaskans Choose Between Paying More Or Foregoing Health Care Coverage**

- An estimated **25,657 Alaskans** have already lost the Medicaid, CHIP, or ACA coverage they counted on to see a doctor after Republicans gutted health care.
  - **22,151 Alaskans** have [lost](#) their Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
  - **3,506 Alaskans** [dropped](#) their ACA health care coverage after premiums skyrocketed.
- Premiums for Alaskans [who counted on](#) the health tax credits Republicans gutted **increased by an average of 346% this year:**
  - A **45-year-old in Alaska** making \$64,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$7,213** to hit \$13,993 this year.

- A **60-year-old couple in Alaska** making \$85,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$43,589** to hit \$52,598 this year.
- A **family of four in Alaska** making \$130,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$25,793** to hit \$39,594 this year.
- Hospital systems nationwide are already reporting a surge in uninsured patients after Republicans ripped away health tax credits. **Alaska hospitals and clinics are facing a \$87 million** loss in funding and a 9.7% [spike](#) in uncompensated care demand that will affect their ability to keep their doors open.
- **Alaska hospitals [alone](#)** are also expected to **lose \$881 million over the next decade due to GOP Medicaid cuts**. As of August 2026, 7 Alaska health care providers are at-risk, announced cuts, are closing, or have closed, [including](#):
  - **AT-RISK:** Cordova Community Medical Center, Ketchikan Medical Center, Providence Kodiak Island Medical Center, Providence Seward Medical & Care Center, Providence Valdez Medical Center
  - **CLOSED:** Identity Health Clinic, Interior Community Health Center