

Delawareans 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 Delawareans Sick of President Trump and Republicans in Congress Gutting Our Health Care System

People across Delaware are sick of choosing between affording health care and putting food on the table. Donald Trump and Republicans 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 around 18,000 Delawareans. [Premiums](#) have doubled for 45,885 Delawareans 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. Delawareans 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, 6 hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes in Delaware 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 Delawareans, 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: Delawareans Choose Between Paying More Or Foregoing Health Care Coverage

- An estimated **17,957 Delawareans** have already lost the Medicaid, CHIP, or ACA coverage they counted on to see a doctor after Republicans gutted health care.
 - **9,949 Delawareans** have [lost](#) their Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
 - **8,008 Delawareans** [dropped](#) their ACA health care coverage after premiums skyrocketed.
- Premiums for Delawareans [who counted on](#) the health tax credits Republicans gutted **increased by an average of 104% this year:**
 - A **45-year-old in Delaware** making \$64,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$3,929** to hit \$9,369 this year.

- A **60-year-old couple in Delaware** making \$85,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$27,993** to hit \$35,218 this year.
- A **family of four in Delaware** making \$130,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$15,461** to hit \$26,511 this year.
- Hospital systems nationwide are already reporting a surge in uninsured patients after Republicans ripped away health tax credits. **Delaware hospitals and clinics are facing a \$58 million** loss in funding and a 7.1% [spike](#) in uncompensated care demand that will affect their ability to keep their doors open.
- **Delaware hospitals [alone](#)** are also expected to **lose \$1 billion over the next decade due to GOP Medicaid cuts**. As of August 2026, 6 Delaware health care providers are at-risk, announced cuts, are closing, or have closed, [including](#):
 - **AT-RISK:** Nanticoke Memorial Hospital
 - **CUTS ANNOUNCED:** Beebe Healthcare
 - **CLOSED:** Connolly Dermatology - Dover, Connolly Dermatology - Milford, Connolly Dermatology - Rehoboth Beach, Connolly Dermatology -- Middletown (DE)