

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

People across New Jersey 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 over 80,000 New Jerseyans. [Premiums](#) have doubled for 457,128 New Jerseyans 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. New Jerseyans 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, 78 hospitals, clinics, and nursing homes in New Jersey 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 New Jerseyans, 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: New Jerseyans Choose Between Paying More Or Foregoing Health Care Coverage

- An estimated **80,441 New Jerseyans** have already lost the Medicaid, CHIP, or ACA coverage they counted on to see a doctor after Republicans gutted health care.
 - **52,370 New Jerseyans** have [lost](#) their Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
 - **28,071 New Jerseyans** [dropped](#) their ACA health care coverage after premiums skyrocketed.
- Premiums for New Jerseyans [who counted on](#) the health tax credits Republicans gutted **increased by an average of 98% this year:**
 - A **45-year-old in New Jersey** making \$64,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$1,949** to hit \$7,389 this year.

- A **60-year-old couple in New Jersey** making \$85,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$20,552** to hit \$27,777 this year.
- A **family of four in New Jersey** making \$130,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$9,860** to hit \$20,910 this year.
- Hospital systems nationwide are already reporting a surge in uninsured patients after Republicans ripped away health tax credits. **New Jersey hospitals and clinics are facing a 7.3% [spike](#)** in uncompensated care demand that will affect their ability to keep their doors open.
- **New Jersey hospitals [alone](#)** are also expected to **lose \$24.3 billion over the next decade due to GOP Medicaid cuts**. As of August 2026, 78 New Jersey health care providers are at-risk, announced cuts, are closing, or have closed, [including](#):
 - **AT-RISK:** Hoboken University Medical Center, Secaucus University Hospital, University Hospital
 - **CUTS ANNOUNCED:** Bayonne University Hospital
 - **CLOSURE ANNOUNCED:** Inspira Medical Center Elmer -- ICU, Inspira Medical Center Mannington -- ICU
 - **CLOSED:** Connolly Dermatology - Barnegat, Connolly Dermatology - Brick, Connolly Dermatology - Burlington, Connolly Dermatology - Cape May Court House, Connolly Dermatology - Cherry Hill, Connolly Dermatology - Cinnaminson, Connolly Dermatology - Forked River, Connolly Dermatology - Galloway, Connolly Dermatology - Hammonton, Connolly Dermatology - Holmdel, Connolly Dermatology - Linwood, Connolly Dermatology - Manahawkin, Connolly Dermatology - Marmora, Connolly Dermatology - Medford, Connolly Dermatology - Toms River, Connolly Dermatology - Turnersville, Connolly Dermatology - Vineland, Connolly Dermatology - Voorhees, Connolly Dermatology - Wall, Connolly Dermatology - Whiting, Connolly Dermatology- Middletown (NJ), Hudson Regional Health Heights University Hospital, Optum Healthcare Arlington -- Rheumatology, Optum Healthcare Bayonne -- Podiatry - Rheumatology, Optum Healthcare Belleville -- Cardiology - Dermatology - Gastroenterology - Podiatry - Primary care, Optum Healthcare Brick -- Endocrinology, Optum Healthcare Brick -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Cherry Hill -- Primary Care, Optum Healthcare Clifton -- Gastroenterology - Primary care, Optum Healthcare Eatontown -- Podiatry, Optum Healthcare Edison -- Primary care - Orthopedics - Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Florham Park -- Primary Care, Optum Healthcare Forked River -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Freehold -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Hoboken -- Behavioral Health, Optum Healthcare Hoboken -- Dermatology, Optum Healthcare Hoboken -- Pediatric pulmonology - Pediatrics, Optum

Healthcare Hoboken -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Howell Township --
Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Jersey City -- Podiatry - Primary Care - Pediatrics,
Optum Healthcare Jersey City -- Primary Care, Optum Healthcare Lakewood --
Gastroenterology - Primary care, Optum Healthcare Manahawkin --
Endocrinology - Podiatry - Pulmonology, Optum Healthcare Manahawkin --
Rheumatology, Optum Healthcare Manalapan -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare
Maplewood -- Cardiology - Endocrinology - Gastroenterology - Podiatry - Primary
care, Optum Healthcare Maywood -- Dermatology - Gastroenterology - Podiatry,
Optum Healthcare Medford -- Primary Care, Optum Healthcare Mount Ephraim --
Primary Care, Optum Healthcare North Bergen -- Primary Care, Optum
Healthcare Nutley -- Primary care - Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Ocean --
Gastroenterology - Endocrinology - Primary care - Diabetic foot care, Optum
Healthcare Ocean -- Rheumatology, Optum Healthcare Ridgefield Park --
Primary Care, Optum Healthcare Riverside Medical Group, Optum Healthcare
Rochelle Park -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Runnemede -- Primary Care,
Optum Healthcare Rutherford -- Chiropractic - Orthopedics - Gastroenterolgy -
Podiatry, Optum Healthcare Saddle Brook -- Primary Care, Optum Healthcare
Secaucus -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Secaucus -- Podiatry, Optum
Healthcare Springfield -- Dermatology - Endocrinology - Gastroenterology -
Orthopedics - Podiatry, Optum Healthcare Teaneck -- Pediatrics, Optum
Healthcare Tinton Falls -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Toms River -- Pediatrics,
Optum Healthcare Toms River -- Podiatry - Cardiology - Dermatology, Optum
Healthcare Toms River -- Primary care, Optum Healthcare Union City -- Primary
Care - Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare Wall Township -- Pediatrics, Optum
Healthcare West Caldwell -- Pediatrics, Optum Healthcare West Orange --
Cardiology - Gastroenterology - Primary care, Optum Healthcare West Orange --
Pediatrics