

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

People across North Dakota are sick of choosing between affording health care and putting food on the table. Donald Trump and Republicans, including Senators John Hoeven and Kevin Cramer, 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 4,000 North Dakotans. [Premiums](#) have doubled for 38,239 North Dakotans 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. North Dakotans 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 North Dakota 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 North Dakotans, 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.

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- An estimated **4,357 North Dakotans** have already lost the Medicaid, CHIP, or ACA coverage they counted on to see a doctor after Republicans gutted health care.
 - **1,179 North Dakotans** have [lost](#) their Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
 - **3,178 North Dakotans** [dropped](#) their ACA health care coverage after premiums skyrocketed.
- Premiums for North Dakotans [who counted on](#) the health tax credits Republicans gutted **increased by an average of 234% this year:**
 - A **45-year-old in North Dakota** making \$64,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by \$2,288 to hit \$7,728 this year.

- A **60-year-old couple in North Dakota** making \$85,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$21,826** to hit \$29,051 this year.
- A **family of four in North Dakota** making \$130,000 saw their average annual premium costs [rise](#) by **\$10,819** to hit \$21,869 this year.
- Hospital systems nationwide are already reporting a surge in uninsured patients after Republicans ripped away health tax credits. **North Dakota hospitals and clinics are facing a 1.3% [spike](#)** in uncompensated care demand that will affect their ability to keep their doors open.
- **North Dakota hospitals [alone](#)** are also expected to **lose \$413 million over the next decade due to GOP Medicaid cuts**. As of August 2026, 7 North Dakota health care providers are at-risk, announced cuts, are closing, or have closed, [including](#):
 - **AT-RISK:** Jacobson Memorial Hospital Care Center, Mercy Hospital, Nelson County Health System-Hospital, Presentation Medical Center
 - **CUTS ANNOUNCED:** Trinity Health -- home health & outpatient hospice services
 - **CLOSURE ANNOUNCED:** Altru Home Health
 - **CLOSED:** Altru's Eye Department