

MEDICAID MATTERS: THE HUMAN IMPACT

The Medicaid cuts in the Big Ugly Law are both costly and complex. Burdensome work requirements, along with cuts to provider payments and state financing structures, will harm care for everyone.



Nationwide Cost and Impact

The Big Ugly Law cuts over \$1 trillion from Medicaid, Medicare, and the Affordable Care Act—leaving 15 million Americans uninsured.

Medicaid Copay Increase: Increases copays for many Medicaid recipients who earn as little as \$1,300 per month.

Limits to States' Ability to Finance Their Medicaid Programs: The law limits the provider tax, which states use to help finance coverage for low-income individuals and uncompensated care.

It also slashes federal funding for state-directed provider payments by \$150 billion, making it even harder for hospitals, nursing homes, and other providers to stay open.

Who Is Covered Under Medicaid?



1 in 4 Ohioans



196,369 people
in OH-03



47% of Ohio
children

Ohio Cost & Impact of Trump's One Big Ugly Law



Funding Reductions in Ohio

Loss of Federal Payments: Ohio stands to lose nearly \$2 billion in federal Medicaid payments over the next 10 years, which will strain the state's budget and force it to underfund care and reduce benefits.



Benefit Cuts and Reduced Access to Care

As states are forced to make ends meet with less funding, Ohioans will likely experience:

- Cuts to home- and community-based services that allow seniors and individuals with disabilities to receive the care they need while continuing to live at home and participate in their communities.
- Nursing home and hospital closures, or reductions in the services they provide.
- Longer emergency room wait times for everyone, as those without coverage delay care until they are sicker and in need of acute treatment.



Work Requirements and More Red Tape

The Big Ugly Law imposes work requirements on low-income adults with coverage under the Affordable Care Act (ACA)'s Medicaid expansion and requires more frequent recertifications of Medicaid eligibility. Data show these policies do not improve employment outcomes, but only serve to make it harder for eligible individuals to stay enrolled in coverage.

Under the Big Ugly Law, anyone who loses their coverage due to work requirements will also be locked out of obtaining subsidized coverage on the ACA's individual marketplace.