

Driving Down Health Care Costs for Pennsylvanians

Last year, President Biden and Democrats in Congress passed the Inflation Reduction Act, which drives down health care costs for families across Pennsylvania. Between lowering premium costs by [\\$1,487](#) on average, capping insulin costs, and stopping drug companies' egregious price hikes, the new legislation is already working for the Pennsylvanians. Soon, seniors' drug costs will be capped at \$2,000 annually, and Medicare will finally be able to [negotiate lower drug prices](#) — no thanks to Republican lawmakers who unanimously voted to maintain the status quo and keep health care costs high.

Democrats are working tirelessly to rein in drug companies' greed and stop seniors from getting ripped off. This summer, the Biden administration is implementing the Inflation Reduction Act and also taking action to eliminate [surprise medical bills](#) and [limit junk insurance](#) plans that do not need to cover people with pre-existing conditions like asthma, cancer, and diabetes.

Pennsylvanians depend on quality and affordable health care to live healthy fulfilled lives, and the Inflation Reduction Act takes a huge step in lowering these costs. Over [49 million](#) Americans each year alone could now potentially see their prescription costs reduced through Medicare's new negotiating power. Even when faced with united opposition from drug companies and Congressional Republicans, Joe Biden and Democratic lawmakers delivered for America and delivered for Pennsylvania.

Under the Inflation Reduction Act, Pennsylvanians will finally begin to see relief when it comes to their health care costs.

By The Numbers:

829,770 Pennsylvanians [will save](#) an average of \$467 every year thanks to the Inflation Reduction Act's \$2,000 annual out-of-pocket cost cap, effective in 2025.

80,197 Pennsylvanians on Medicare who use insulin are now charged no more than [\\$35 per month](#) for an insulin prescription.

325,333 Pennsylvanians are [saving](#) an average of \$500 on monthly health insurance premiums.

2,269,401 of Pennsylvania's seniors are able to receive the shingles vaccination and other recommended vaccinations [free of cost](#).

2,386,046 of Pennsylvania's Medicaid beneficiaries will have access to expanded [vaccine coverage](#).

Senator Bob Casey Is Standing Up For Pennsylvanians' Care. A [member](#) of the Committee on Health, Senator Casey has been an instrumental voice in expanding health care access to Pennsylvanians. In 2023 he was awarded the [Healthcare Champion Award](#) for his work writing

legislation to increase [veterans' health benefits](#), fighting for [increased protections](#) for those living in nursing homes, introducing legislation to [reduce care costs](#) for those with disabilities, and other vital expansions to quality and affordable health care. Senator Casey was a key vote in the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act.

Representative Susan Wild Is Helping Reduce Health Care Costs. A fierce defender of affordable health care access, Representative Wild has been on the front lines of the Republican war on health care. In just the 2023 session she has [sponsored bills](#) expanding access to reproductive health services nationwide, protecting a woman's right to choose abortion care nationally, and expanding Medicare benefits to cover more dental, vision, and hearing care.