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Health Care Showdown: Republicans Are Marching Toward A Government Shutdown To Perpetuate The GOP Health Care Crisis













There's no question about it: Republicans are hell-bent on raising costs and ripping away health care from millions of Americans. Since taking power, Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress have launched an all-out assault on American health care, hiking premium costs on the middle class, slashing Medicaid, driving rural hospitals off a cliff, and creating chaos.

Hospitals, nursing homes, and care facilities across the country are shutting down in the wake of these draconian cuts, and premium costs are skyrocketing for families across the nation. Hundreds of hospitals, nursing homes, and care facilities across the country are reducing services, laying off workers, or closing their doors. Entire communities are being stranded without essential care. Meanwhile, insurance companies have already indicated that, because of the GOP budget bill, they plan to hike premiums for 24 million Americans. At the same time, Republicans eliminated key tax credits that helped over 20 million Americans afford coverage. Combined, these changes mean millions will see their premiums nearly double this fall.






Republicans are only just beginning to feel the heat as outraged Americans face the consequences of the Trump-GOP bill. Constituents are angry about the big, ugly bill, which takes health care away from more than 15 million people and raises costs for tens of millions more to fund tax breaks for billionaires and big corporations. They have created a disaster with no end in sight, and now Republicans are driving toward a government shutdown as they demand a bill that inflicts pain on families just so billionaires can get richer.




Trump's War on Your Health Care

Trump and Republicans' Signature Policy Achievement This Year: Raising Costs and Ripping Away Health Care From Millions of Americans. A new damning CBO score on Trump and Republicans' Big, Ugly bill showed that it will:

-  Rip health care away from over [15 million Americans](#), including seniors, children, veterans, and people with disabilities, to pay for tax breaks for billionaires like Elon Musk and large corporations.
-  Cut [over \\$1 trillion](#) from Medicaid and the ACA to pay for handouts to the wealthiest Americans.
-  Hike premiums for over [24 million](#) Americans, including rural Americans, small business owners, and middle-class families.
-  Impose a sick tax on over [20 million](#) low-income people, hitting them with new bills each time they see a doctor for diabetes, arthritis, or other illnesses.
-  Threaten to shutter over [330 hospitals](#), [570 nursing homes](#), and [hundreds of clinics](#) across the country, forcing more Americans to travel further for maternity care and emergency rooms, and face longer wait times and higher costs.
-  Generate billions in tax breaks for the rich by choking seniors and working families in red tape and making it harder to enroll in [Medicare](#) and [Medicaid](#).
-  Trigger nearly [\\$500 billion](#) in cuts to Medicare by exacerbating the national deficit.
-  Force low-income seniors to pay [thousands](#) more each year for health care by raising their premiums and out-of-pocket costs.
-  Force over [5 million people](#) into medical debt by causing families who lose their coverage to take on an average of \$22,280 in medical debt when they previously had none.
-  Give away [billions](#) to drug companies at the expense of seniors and taxpayers by driving up the cost of prescription drugs for seniors on Medicare.

The MAHA 2025 Anti-Vax Agenda: Gutting Public Health

-  RFK Jr. [overruled](#) experts on vaccine policy and [replaced](#) every member of the top national vaccine advisory panel.
-  RFK Jr. and Trump [ended](#) cutting-edge mRNA vaccine research, pulling funding for [developing vaccines](#) for certain forms of cancer, HIV, bird flu, and more.
-  Despite a new variant of COVID-19 [raging](#) across the country, RFK Jr. [cracked down](#) on COVID-19 vaccines, limiting access right as the FDA [approved](#) updated vaccines for the fall season.
-  RFK Jr. [laid off](#) thousands of workers at the CDC, FDA, and other health agencies.
-  Trump's CDC cuts [hampered](#) emergency response efforts as measles [surged](#) in West Texas.

-  The Trump administration [stalled](#) CDC reports on the bird flu outbreak as cases [surged](#).
-  The CDC [scaled back](#) surveillance of foodborne illnesses as outbreaks increased.
-  The CDC [removed](#) critical information from the agency's website and censored public health data on HIV, hepatitis, STIs, tuberculosis, and more.

Headlines Show Disastrous Fallout From The Trump-GOP Health Care Disaster.



Hospital Crisis Watch: Hospitals, Nursing Homes, and Care Facilities Across the Country Reduce Services, Lay Off Workers, and Close Their Doors

- [CNN](#): Experts Say Rural Emergency Rooms Are Increasingly Run Without Doctors
- [Healthcare Dive](#): Hospitals Prepare for \$149B Cut to Medicaid State-Directed Payments
- [Bloomberg](#): A \$50 Billion Slush Fund Won't Save Rural Hospitals
- [Bloomberg](#): Medicaid Cuts Set to Drain Revenue at Elite Teaching Hospitals
- [HuffPost](#): Experts Say Trump's Big Bill Will Shut Down This 1 Type Of Hospital — And It'll Impact Multitudes
- [The 19th](#): Pregnant People in Rural Parts of the Country Are Running Out of Places to Give Birth
- [UpNorthNews](#): Rural Health Care Faces 'Death Spiral' From GOP Medicaid Cuts
- [Capital B](#): Medicaid Cuts Endanger Life-Saving Care for Black Families in Rural America
- [Mother Jones](#): This \$50 Billion Band-Aid Won't Save Rural Health Care
- [WTOC](#): Local Rural Hospital Losing Millions of Dollars Following Cuts From One Big Beautiful Bill Act
- [Las Vegas Sun](#): Hospital Shortages Catching Up With Underserved Rural Communities



Premium Disaster Watch: Health Care Costs Spike For Tens of Millions of Americans

- [The Independent](#): People On 'Obamacare' Health Insurance Are Set To See Premiums Jump By 18% - Study.
- [Healthcare Dive](#): ACA Plans Want To Hike Premiums By Median Of 18% Next Year: KFF.
- [Investopedia](#): ACA Health Insurance Premiums Set To Post Biggest Jump In 7 Years.
- [Peterson-KFF Health System Tracker](#): How Much And Why ACA Marketplace Premiums Are Going Up In 2026.
- [Georgetown University Center for Children and Families](#): New Federal Budget Law Spells Trouble for Patients with Insulin-Requiring Diabetes
- [CBPP](#): Administration's ACA Marketplace Rule Will Raise Health Care Costs for Millions of Families
- [Kiplinger](#): Plan for Higher Health Care Costs in 2026: Projected Medicare Part B and Part D Premiums
- [Barron's](#): Retiring Early? Prepare for Higher Healthcare Premiums.

- [Washington Informer](#): Trump's 'Big Ugly' Law Set to Trigger Soaring Premiums and Cut Health Subsidies
- [The Lever](#): Why Your Health Insurance Premiums Could Explode Next Year
- [Axios](#): Workers to Bear Brunt of Health Cost Increases in 2026
- [Healthcare Dive](#): Large Employers Forecast 'Daunting' 9% Hike in Healthcare Costs Next Year
- [Politico](#): Employers Worry About Costs
- [AG Daily](#): Rural Americans Face Rising Health Costs as Premiums Climb
- [KFF](#): Why Young Americans Dread Turning 26: Health Insurance Chaos

Trump and Republicans' Dangerous, Unpopular Health Care Agenda Tanks In The Polls.



Americans Continue To Reject Trump and Republicans' Big, Ugly Bill

- As of mid-September, new polling shows that Americans [continue to oppose](#) Trump's Big, Ugly Bill.
- [53 percent](#) say the Big, Ugly Bill will hurt the average American.
- [51 percent](#) oppose Trump and Republicans' Big, Ugly Bill.
- A majority ([63 percent](#)) believe Republicans put the interests of the rich ahead of those of working Americans.



Trump Disapproval Soars

- Trump's net approval rating has been negative every day since March 12th – [181 days in a row](#).
- [Nearly a majority](#) of Americans now *strongly* disapprove of the job Trump is doing as president.
- [Less than a third](#) of Americans – a dismal 31 percent – currently say they are satisfied with the direction of the country.
- [60 percent](#) disapprove of Trump's performance on inflation and the cost of living.
- [58 percent](#) of Americans disapprove of Trump's job performance, up 7 percent since April.
- [Less than 40 percent](#) of Americans approve of Trump's job performance.

Read More

- Fact Sheet: [The Trump-GOP Health Care Emergency: War on Your Health Care](#)
- MEMO: [Trump and Republicans' Big, Ugly Health Care Cuts Are Coming Sooner Than You Think](#)
- [Hospital Crisis Watch](#)
- [Premium Disaster Watch](#)
- [Health Care Sabotage Tracker](#)