## Republicans Follow Through on Their Plan to Hike Costs and Strip Delawareans of Their Health Care

Across the country, health care is in crisis, including in Delaware. Since taking power, Donald Trump and Congressional Republicans have launched an all-out assault on our health care system. From slashing Medicaid to driving rural hospitals off a cliff to ending health care tax credits, they have created a disaster for working families and only helped billionaires get richer. Now Delawareans who buy insurance on their own will see their premium costs skyrocket. Beginning in 2026, Republicans have made sure that premiums in Delaware will increase by an average of 104 percent more every single year. This will exacerbate the uninsured rate and raise costs for hard-working Delawareans at a time when too many are struggling to make ends meet. It's time for Republicans to fix the mess they created. Every day they stall, more Delawareans are forced to choose between keeping a roof over their head, food on the table, or life-saving coverage. The choice is clear: side with billionaires and big corporations and let the crisis get worse, or finally stand with hard-working Delawareans.

## By the Numbers

There are 48,826 Delawareans on the state ACA <u>marketplace</u> who will be forced to pay \$813 more each year on average for their health insurance.

Around 46,000 Delawareans will <u>lose their health care</u> coverage entirely thanks to Republican premium increases and the Big, Ugly bill.

A 45-year-old in Delaware making \$62,000 will see their average annual premium costs <u>rise by</u> \$1,970 to hit \$7,240 annually.

A 60-year-old couple in Delaware making \$82,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$20,246 to hit \$27,216 annually.

A family of four in Delaware making \$126,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$9,778 to hit \$20,488 annually.

Hospitals and clinics across Delaware are already struggling to stay open after Republicans passed the largest health care cuts in history. Now, thanks to Republicans gutting the premium tax credits and hiking Delawareans' premiums, providers in Delaware <a href="willlose">will lose</a> an additional \$58 million in funding.