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

Across the country, health care is in crisis, including in Mississippi. 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 Mississippians who buy insurance on their own will see their premium costs skyrocket. Beginning in 2026, Republicans have made sure that premiums in Mississippi will increase by an average of 314 percent more every single year. This will exacerbate the uninsured rate and raise costs for hard-working Mississippians 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 Mississippians 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 Mississippians.

## By the Numbers

There are 329,143 Mississippians on the state ACA <u>marketplace</u> who will be forced to pay \$602 more each year on average for their health insurance.

Around 110,000 Mississippians will <u>lose their health care</u> coverage entirely thanks to Republican premium increases and the Big, Ugly bill.

A 45-year-old in Mississippi making \$62,000 will see their average annual premium costs <u>rise by</u> \$1,306 to hit \$6,576 annually.

A 60-year-old couple in Mississippi making \$82,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$17,749 to hit \$24,719 annually.

A family of four in Mississippi making \$126,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$6,714 to hit \$17,424 annually.

Hospitals and clinics across Mississippi 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 Mississippians' premiums, providers in Mississippi will lose an additional \$981 million in funding.