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

Across the country, health care is in crisis, including in Ohio. 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 Ohioans who buy insurance on their own will see their premium costs skyrocket. Beginning in 2026, Republicans have made sure that premiums in Ohio will increase by an average of 137 percent more every single year. This will exacerbate the uninsured rate and raise costs for hard-working Ohioans 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 Ohioans 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 Ohioans.

By the Numbers

There are 583,443 Ohioans on the state ACA <u>marketplace</u> who will be forced to pay \$698 more each year on average for their health insurance.

Around 460,000 Ohioans will <u>lose their health care</u> coverage entirely thanks to Republican premium increases and the Big, Ugly bill.

A 45-year-old in Ohio making \$62,000 will see their average annual premium costs <u>rise by</u> \$1,516 to hit \$6,956 annually.

A 60-year-old couple in Ohio making \$82,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$18,921 to hit \$26,146 annually.

A family of four in Ohio making \$126,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$8,632 to hit \$19,682 annually.

Hospitals and clinics across Ohio 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 Ohioans' premiums, providers in Ohio <u>will lose</u> an additional \$363 million in funding.