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

Across the country, health care is in crisis, including in Virginia. 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 Virginians who buy insurance on their own will see their premium costs skyrocket. Beginning in 2026, Republicans have made sure that premiums in Virginia will increase by an average of 167 percent more every single year. This will exacerbate the uninsured rate and raise costs for hard-working Virginians 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 Virginians 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 Virginians.

By the Numbers

There are 388,856 Virginians on the state ACA <u>marketplace</u> who will be forced to pay \$731 more each year on average for their health insurance.

Around 350,000 Virginians will <u>lose their health care</u> coverage entirely thanks to Republican premium increases and the Big, Ugly bill.

A 45-year-old in Virginia making \$62,000 will see their average annual premium costs <u>rise by</u> \$783 to hit \$6,223 annually.

A 60-year-old couple in Virginia making \$82,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$16,169 to hit \$23,394 annually.

A family of four in Virginia making \$126,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$6,560 to hit \$17,610 annually.

Hospitals and clinics across Virginia 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 Virginians' premiums, providers in Virginia will lose an additional \$92 million in funding.