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

Across the country, health care is in crisis, including in Wisconsin. 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 Wisconsinites who buy insurance on their own will see their premium costs skyrocket. Beginning in 2026, Republicans have made sure that premiums in Wisconsin will increase by an average of 148 percent more every single year. This will exacerbate the uninsured rate and raise costs for hard-working Wisconsinites 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 Wisconsinites 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 Wisconsinites.

By the Numbers

There are 313,579 Wisconsinites on the state ACA <u>marketplace</u> who will be forced to pay \$593 more each year on average for their health insurance.

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

A 45-year-old in Wisconsin making \$62,000 will see their average annual premium costs <u>rise by</u> \$2,844 to hit \$8,284 annually.

A 60-year-old couple in Wisconsin making \$82,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$23,916 to hit \$31,141 annually.

A family of four in Wisconsin making \$126,000 will see their average annual premium costs rise by \$12,392 to hit \$23,442 annually.

Hospitals and clinics across Wisconsin 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 Wisconsinites' premiums, providers in Wisconsin will lose an additional \$90 million in funding.