## WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

## Against Republican Health Care Cuts

The House-passed Republican tax bill includes **more than \$1 trillion in health care cuts**. Republican cuts to Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act (ACA) will terminate coverage for **16 million Americans**.

The Republican bill does **nothing to lower the cost of food and health care for families** trying to make ends meet in Trump's broken economy; it will only make millions of Americans sicker. Organizations nationwide are calling on the Senate to reject these dangerous and deadly cuts.

## Statements as of June 10, 2025 -

1,100 national and state aging, disability, patient, and consumer organizations - "The undersigned 1,100 organizations...write with grave concern about the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" because of the harmful cuts and changes to Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The bill itself will result in at least 10.9 million people becoming uninsured, including millions of people with disabilities and older adults. When factoring in expiration of ACA premium tax credits, the number of people who will become uninsured rises to 16 million. We urge you to reject this bill."

– Includes **226 national organizations and more than 875 state organizations** from Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

**Mission: Readiness** - "For military-connected families, Medicaid is especially vital. Nearly 220,000 children, or about 1 in 10, of active-duty service members use Medicaid alongside TRICARE, which often lacks comprehensive pediatric services. Medicaid fills those gaps by offering coverage for preventive services like well-child visits beyond age 5, dental and mental health care, and treatment for special health needs...

Accordingly, as you seek to boost defense spending, we encourage you **not to regard SNAP and Medicaid as simply anti-poverty programs**. Instead, **we urge you to consider how SNAP and Medicaid can serve as strategic investments in our nation's security.** Undermining these programs puts the health of millions of children at risk and, by extension, the strength of tomorrow's military."

– Includes **more than 150 retired admirals and generals** from the following states: Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.



<u>AARP</u> - "More than 17 million Americans age 50 and older rely on Medicaid as a critical safety net to stay in their homes, manage chronic conditions, and afford long-term care. We oppose efforts to add new burdens that could cost people their health care coverage not because they are ineligible, but because they missed a deadline or could not navigate a complex system... We are also concerned with provisions in the bill that could result in the loss of health care for many 50-64 year olds who get coverage through the Marketplace exchanges, particularly those with variable incomes and the self-employed...

AARP also opposes language in this bill that would allow big drug companies to continue charging outrageous prices for more orphan drugs – despite existing exemptions – while selling the same medicines overseas at a fraction of the cost, ultimately costing American taxpayers and families billions of dollars each year."

Seth Rogen and Lauren Miller Rogen - "It's not lost on us that we have more resources than many people. And we are in a drastically better financial situation than many people. And that being said, we still found it very difficult. Unfortunately, millions of low-income families, families of people with disabilities, families that have older adults in them, are facing this struggle every day right now. And that is why it is so unfathomable that federal and state legislatures are making massing cuts to Medicaid as we speak... So the truth is that almost everyone in this country knows or loves someone that relies on Medicaid, even if they don't rely on Medicaid themselves... We need to reject any cuts or changes that would take care away from families..."

- Full interview on their experience caring for a loved one with early-onset Alzheimer's Disease in Rolling Stone

American Health Care Association (AHCA) - "This report confirms what we've been hearing for months: that any reductions to Medicaid would be devastating for seniors, caregivers, and communities... Without reliable Medicaid resources and programs like provider taxes, nursing homes would face impossible decisions, like having to reduce staff or close their doors... Highlights from the survey include:

- Medicaid continues to be chronically underfunded.
- An overwhelming majority of nursing home providers (92 percent) are concerned about potential reductions to Medicaid.
- The impacts of Medicaid reductions are disparate and significant, with seniors and staff bearing the brunt of any cuts.
- Most concerning, reduced access to care is a reality for many seniors if Medicaid funding is reduced..."

<u>American Academy of Pediatrics</u> - "Congress cannot cut hundreds of billions of dollars from Medicaid, CHIP, and the ACA without harming children. Even when policies do not directly impact child eligibility, large cuts will have significant spillover effects on children's timely access to care."

American Hospital Association - "Our hospitals and health systems have significant concerns regarding the harmful Medicaid and Health Insurance Marketplace provisions currently included in the bill. The sheer magnitude of the level of reductions to the Medicaid program alone will impact all patients, not just Medicaid beneficiaries, in every community across the nation. Hospitals — especially in rural and underserved areas — will be forced to make difficult decisions about whether they will have to reduce services, reduce staff and potentially consider closing their doors...



Given the substantial reduction in Medicaid payments and cuts to the Health Insurance Marketplaces, including allowing the enhanced premium tax credits to expire, millions will lose health care coverage. Therefore, the AHA urges the House to reject efforts to dismantle these vital programs.

<u>36 non-partisan, non-profit patient advocacy organizations</u> - "This bill is a direct attack on patients. Millions of Americans—including those with preexisting conditions—rely on Medicaid and the ACA marketplaces for high-quality, affordable healthcare. Instead of building on that progress, this bill would unravel it—mirroring the same devastating impact we fought to prevent during the 2017 repeal-and-replace efforts. The consequences for patients would be just as dire now as they would have been then...

Despite many claims to the contrary, this bill threatens to deepen inequities, drive up out-of-pocket costs, and eliminate coverage for millions of people who simply cannot afford to go without care. At a time when household and healthcare costs are already straining the budgets of working families, Congress must reject this reckless legislation and instead pursue policies that move our healthcare system forward—not backward."

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American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

American Kidney Fund American Lung Association Arthritis Foundation

Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America

Autoimmune Association Cancer Support Community

Cancer Care

Chronic Disease Coalition
Coalition for Hemophilia B
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Epilepsy Foundation of America
EveryLife Foundation for Rare Diseases
Foundations for Sarcoidosis Research
Hemophilia Federation of America
Immune Deficiency Foundation
Lupus Foundation of America

Lutheran Services in America Muscular Dystrophy Association

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) National Bleeding Disorders Foundation National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship

National Health Council National Kidney Foundation

National Multiple Sclerosis Society National Organization for Rare Disorders National Patient Advocate Foundation

National Psoriasis Foundation Pulmonary Hypertension Association

Sickle Cell Disease

Association of America, Inc.

Susan G. Komen The AIDS Institute

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart

Disease

<u>American Academy of Family Physicians</u> – "The American Academy of Family Physicians believes that everyone deserves access to affordable health care... Medicaid work reporting requirements, increased eligibility checks and additional financial barriers will make it harder for individuals to maintain coverage and access the care they need. These changes – in combination with the looming expiration of the Affordable Care Act enhanced premium tax credits – will lead to widespread disenrollment and dangerous disruptions in care for millions."

AHIP - "...approximately 15 million Americans would lose their health insurance in the coming years. Coverage losses of this magnitude would be unprecedented for our country... We all want a healthier America. Deep reductions in health care coverage would be a big step in the wrong direction away from that goal... there can be no debate that maintaining affordable health insurance is a top priority for American families. As the budget reconciliation process continues, Congress should support low-income people and working families by keeping coverage stable and access to care affordable."



<u>First Focus Campaign for Children</u> - "The House has passed a budget reconciliation bill that supporters are referring to as a 'one big, beautiful bill.' But let's be clear, this budget bill threatens the health and nutrition of millions of children and pushes millions of children into poverty in order to provide tax credits for corporations, the wealthy, and even for people wanting to buy gun silencers and tanning beds. Our children and our future are being shortchanged in what is a terrible, horrible, no good, very bad bill for kids."

American Cancer Society - Cancer Action Network - "The bill that passed includes drastic cuts to Medicaid and will lead to at least 8.6 million people losing their health insurance. Health care costs will go up for many of those who remain insured. This is a devastating blow to the fight against cancer, and to all of us who continue to fight so hard. But this fight isn't over."

<u>Democratic Governors Association</u> – "This GOP spending bill will jack up prices, kick nearly 14 million people off their health insurance, and make it harder for families to put food on the table – threatening essential safety nets that children, seniors, people with disabilities, and veterans rely on.

Voting to pass this extreme budget is not only cruel and out-of-touch but will cause major problems for House Republicans running for governor. Between now and next November, we will ensure that toxic Republicans can't hide from their extreme, partisan voting records as they run to bring the chaos and dysfunction of D.C. to their states."

Leaders of the Nation's State-Based Marketplaces - "As leaders of the nation's State-based health insurance Marketplaces (SBMs), we are concerned that tens of millions of Americans who rely on Marketplace coverage will be unable to maintain affordable private health insurance under the House of Representatives' recently passed reconciliation bill. The Americans who depend on the Marketplaces include working parents, small business owners, farmers, gig workers, early retirees, and lower and middle-class individuals of all ages, political views, and backgrounds....

On behalf of the millions of Americans we serve, we ask that the United States Senate protect coverage for those enrolled in Marketplaces today and in the future by extending the Enhanced Premium Tax Credits and rejecting proposals in the House's reconciliation bill that would impose unnecessary and unprecedented red tape to getting and staying covered. **24 million Americans now rely on this coverage, and they need your support to keep it.**"

– Includes leaders from California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Idaho, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota,, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and Washington

Alliance of Community Health Plans - "Rather than making America healthy again, the House legislation makes Americans uninsured again. We know from experience, losing coverage means a sicker population, driven to the emergency department for late care that costs more. The House bill forces states to cut coverage and access to care, prioritizing short-term savings over long-term health. Policymakers should protect—and strengthen—Medicaid and the individual market, not undermine and dismantle them."



<u>Children's Hospital Association</u> - "We remain concerned about the impact the Medicaid cuts in this bill will have on children and children's hospitals. For reference, nearly half of American children rely on Medicaid and CHIP, and this bill will significantly reduce Medicaid support and negatively impact health care access for millions of children, regardless of whether they're covered by Medicaid programs or private insurance. We urge the House to vote against the bill and protect high-quality pediatric health care for all children who need it."

Center for Medicare Advocacy, Medicare Rights Center, Justice in Aging - "Our organizations represent older adults and people with disabilities who rely on Medicare and Medicaid for life-saving health care. We condemn the House's passage of devastating cuts to Medicaid and Medicare that will harm millions of beneficiaries and their families. We urge the Senate to reject these cruel cuts to essential health care... this legislation undermines Medicare and will inflict real pain, real suffering, and even death on older adults, people with disabilities, and their families. We call on the Senate to push back on this cruelty by rejecting the legislation."

Advocates for Community Health - "Medicaid is critical to community health. The House budget reconciliation bill would strip millions of people of their health care coverage, severely weakening the health safety net, especially in rural communities, where the impact would be most devastating. These cuts will undoubtedly keep many from receiving primary care and ultimately drive up health care costs for the American taxpayer."

Leukemia & Lymphoma Society- "Blood cancer patients are worried—and for good reason. For many, this bill poses a direct threat to their survival. Imagine receiving a cancer diagnosis or undergoing costly chemotherapy treatment, only to lose access to the care that keeps you alive. Picture caring for a child with cancer—a round-the-clock responsibility—while being forced to navigate complex bureaucratic red tape just to maintain health coverage. These are not hypotheticals—they're the everyday realities for cancer patients and their families who count on Medicaid, Medicare or the ACA to get the care they need when they need it. Their lives will be turned upside down if this bill becomes law."

American Academy of Nursing- "The American Academy of Nursing writes to express grave concern over substantial cuts outlined for Medicaid as a result of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1) passed by the House of Representatives... Cuts to Medicaid would seriously harm children's health and could result in missed opportunities to prevent diseases through immunizations or diagnose and treat conditions early on..

Reducing coverage for people with mental illness would result in disruptions to essential care and be devastating to health... Cuts to Medicaid put families' health at risk. Medicaid coverage is an important step to address maternal and infant health and should be protected."

American College of Physicians – "The College is very concerned that high health care coverage loss will be extremely detrimental for our most vulnerable patient populations. Further, it would destabilize independent health care practices, hospitals, and health systems, especially those in rural and disadvantaged communities, leading to widespread disruption of health care services and economic decline and increase costs to the healthcare system, emergency rooms, hospitals, etc., as well as decrease access to care."

<u>Keep Americans Covered</u> - "Working people deserve the chance to buy affordable health coverage, but that is now under extreme threat. The House bill would allow the expiration of the health care tax credit, which has been fundamental to putting health coverage in reach for more than 20 million Americans. It also proposes



significant changes to the individual health insurance marketplace that would drive up premiums and make it harder for millions of Americans to enroll in coverage. Taken together, these policy decisions would have a devastating impact on families who buy coverage on their own."

**Letter from Physician Organizations (June 6, 2025)** - "As you consider next steps on the House-passed reconciliation bill, the undersigned physician organizations respectfully urge you to make key improvements that are necessary to avoid further strain on physician practices, safeguard access to medical education, and prevent potential coverage losses for vulnerable populations...

Previous legislative packages have fallen short of altering the long-term trajectory of growing health system consolidation, persistent physician shortages, and systemic strains on Medicaid. Without meaningful Senate improvements, this legislation will fall short of preserving access to care and supporting the physician workforce."

American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology

American Academy of Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery

American Academy of Family Physicians

American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

American Academy of Neurology
American Academy of Ophthalmology

American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

American Clinical Neurophysiology Society

American College of Cardiology

American College of Emergency Physicians

American College of Mohs Surgery

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

American College of Physicians American College of Surgeons American Gastroenterological Association
American Orthopaedic Foot & Ankle Society

American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery

American Society for Radiation Oncology

American Society for Surgery of the Hand Professional

Organization

American Society of Breast Surgeons

American Society of Cataract & Refractive Surgery American Society of Colon & Rectal Surgeons

American Society of Echocardiography

American Society of Plastic Surgeons

Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations

College of American Pathologists

Heart Failure

<u>AMGA</u> - "AMGA today voiced strong opposition to the more than \$700 billion in Medicaid cuts included in pending House legislation. Spending cuts of that magnitude would force AMGA members into an untenable situation, necessitating elimination of services for Medicaid patients, layoffs, and facility closures...

A recent AMGA <u>member survey</u> underscores the far-reaching consequences of the proposed Medicaid cuts, revealing significant concern among medical groups and health systems:

- 85% of respondents would be forced to eliminate services for Medicaid patients.
- 51% would reduce pediatric care, and 47% would cut maternity services.
- 41% would scale back behavioral health offerings.
- 72% anticipate layoffs or furloughs—including frontline clinicians.
- Nearly 50% of rural facilities foresee closures or restructuring.
- 25% would shut down telehealth programs, disproportionately impacting rural communities.

Our members have made it clear—this is not the time to impose additional cuts on an already overburdened healthcare system."



National Association of Insurance Commissioners - "Policy changes embedded in the House-passed reconciliation legislation would have a significant and ongoing negative impact on the health insurance markets we regulate and the healthcare system as a whole. These changes will lead to fewer individuals covered and disruptions to markets as soon as 2026...

As recently announced market exits by national carriers indicate, the proposed policy changes combined with general uncertainty in the market will have a broad negative impact that jeopardizes the health of the broader insurance markets. We encourage Congress to preserve states' unique and valuable role in shaping their health care systems and regulating their health insurance markets."

Coalition of State Medical Associations - "On behalf of the undersigned State Medical Associations and the District of Columbia, representing hundreds of thousands of physicians and the 80 million Medicaid patients we serve, we urge you to reject the Medicaid cuts in H.R. 1... We urge the Senate to pursue more balanced solutions that expand the physician workforce and preserve Medicaid for our patients."

Alaska State Medical Association Arizona Medical Association **Arkansas Medical Society** California Medical Association Colorado Medical Society **Connecticut State Medical Society** 

Florida Medical Association Hawaii Medical Association Idaho Medical Association Iowa Medical Society Illinois State Medical Society Indiana State Medical Association

**Kansas Medical Society** Louisiana State Medical Society Maine Medical Association Massachusetts Medical Society

MedChi, The Maryland State Medical Society

Medical Association of Alabama Medical Society of Delaware Medical Society of New Jersey

Medical Society of the District of Columbia

Medical Society of Virginia Michigan State Medical Society Minnesota Medical Association Mississippi State Medical Association Missouri State Medical Association Montana Medical Association Nebraska Medical Association **Nevada State Medical Association New Hampshire Medical Society** New Mexico Medical Society North Carolina Medical Society North Dakota Medical Association Ohio State Medical Association Oklahoma State Medical Association Oregon Medical Association

Pennsylvania Medical Society **Rhode Island Medical Society** South Dakota State Medical Association

**Tennessee Medical Association Utah Medical Association Vermont Medical Society** 

Washington State Medical Association West Virginia State Medical Association

Wisconsin Medical Society **Wyoming Medical Society** 

Patients for Affordable Drugs Now - "In a giveaway to Big Pharma, the House just voted to weaken one of the most effective and popular drug pricing reforms in decades — ignoring the will of nine in ten Americans who are demanding Congress do more to lower prescription drug costs. By letting high-cost drugs with multiple orphan uses avoid negotiation and extending the timeline before negotiation for other medications, lawmakers have handed pharmaceutical corporations a new and unnecessary way to protect monopoly pricing — all while 1 in 3 Americans can't afford their medications."



National Women's Law Center (NWLC) Action Fund- "Donald Trump and House Republicans' big, ugly bill is a betrayal to the millions of women and children who will lose health care and food assistance so that billionaires can get more tax breaks... In the early hours of the morning, House Republicans irresponsibly rammed this bill through their chamber, despite massive public opposition and at the expense of their own constituents. Now, it's up to the Senate to do what the House wouldn't: listen to those that they claim to represent, reject this cruel bill, and protect the women and families who stand to lose the most if it passes."

American Society of Hematology - "The impact of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (H.R. 1) would be devastating for individuals with hematologic conditions that rely upon Medicaid for health care coverage by impeding access to the preventive and routine care necessary to manage their conditions... Medicaid is crucial for providing care to the most vulnerable individuals who are impacted by hematologic conditions, and it is imperative that Congress work to protect this vital program."

**Moving Forward Nursing Home Quality Coalition** - "Medicaid is the primary payer for long-term care in the U.S, covering more than 6 in 10 nursing home residents. It funds essential nursing home operations, including staffing, food, medical supplies, and resident services. The proposed cuts to Medicaid may force nursing homes to reduce staff hours or compromise staff-to-resident ratios. Reductions in Medicaid reimbursement rates could delay care, increase the risk of neglect or abuse, and threaten nursing homes' ability to maintain quality standards and a stable workforce."

Leadership Council of Aging Organizations - "The massive cuts in health coverage, food, rent, and other programs for low-income older adults required to meet the budget targets will tear families apart, worsen health outcomes, and increase isolation and the cost of care for older adults with chronic conditions, medical complexity, disabilities, and/or Alzheimer's Disease and related dementias. We urge you to support, not harm, older adults who are counting on you back home."

**AFSCME** 

Alliance for Aging Research Alliance for Retired Americans

American Association of Service Coordinators

American Foundation for the Blind American Geriatrics Society

American Society on Aging

Association for Gerontology and Human Development in

Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Caring Across Generations Center for Medicare Advocacy

Community Catalyst Compassion & Choices

Center for Workforce Inclusion (CWI Works)

Families USA

Gerontological Society of America Intl. Association for Indigenous Aging

Justice in Aging Leading Age Lutheran Services in America

Meals on Wheels America Medicare Rights Center

Natl. Academy of Elder Law Attorneys

Natl. Adult Day Services Association

Natl. Adult Protective Services Association

Natl. Alliance for Caregiving

Natl. Association of Geriatric Education

Natl. Association of Nutrition & Aging Services Programs

Natl. Association of Social Workers

Natl. Association of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman

Natl.I Committee to Preserve Social Security & Medicare

Natl. Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care

Natl. Council on Aging.

**Pension Rights Center** 

SEIU USAging

Village to Village Network



<u>Cystic Fibrosis Foundation</u> - "For months, House leaders promised the reconciliation bill would not cut benefits or access to care for the 'population Medicaid was originally designed for,' such as people with CF. Unfortunately, that's exactly what this bill does, and more."

National Health Law Program - "There is nothing beautiful about this bill. It is a direct attack on low-income people, on people with disabilities, on immigrants, and on families doing their best to survive in an economy stacked against them... Lawmakers know exactly what this bill will do. It will kick people off Medicaid and make it harder to get and keep coverage. That is not fiscal responsibility. It is cruelty and indifference by design."

National Council for Mental Wellbeing - "Closing clinics that serve Medicaid enrollees means job loss across states. Our members are efficient and run on extremely thin margins - typically on a 1.8 - 2.8% margin. Many of our member organizations would not be able to serve people after 30 days if federal funding were reduced. If clinics lose revenue from serving and billing people on Medicaid, layoffs would be imminent and vital community clinics would close immediately impacting access to critical mental healthcare services in your community."

National Partnership for Women & Families - "This legislation – championed by President Trump – would strip health care and economic security from millions of people, including mothers and children, seniors and veterans. Despite attempts by Republicans in Congress to shroud their actions in secrecy, the National Partnership will continue to call out the damaging and shameless impacts of their actions and fight relentlessly to prevent its passage."

<u>Families USA</u> - "Instead of listening to the Americans clogging their phone lines and town halls, House Republicans today [May 22, 2025] took a bad bill and made it even worse, putting in place more paperwork that will kick people off coverage more quickly, and spiking premiums for those who buy private coverage individually through the marketplaces.

They tried to hide their work with backroom deals and middle-of-the-night hearing markups, but voters won't be able to miss the **giant wrecking ball headed at the health care system** that we all need and use every day, regardless of the source of our coverage, where we live, or who we voted for."

**American Ambulance Association** - "Restricting provider taxes could result in further erosion in provider rates or reduction in beneficiary access to services. As a result, more people may find themselves living in ambulance deserts – i.e., areas where residents are more than 25 minutes from an ambulance station."

<u>Bazelon Center</u>- "The One Big Beautiful Bill Act is an **attack on people with disabilities** and others who rely on Medicaid and other programs that would be slashed by this legislation. As the bill moves to the Senate, we call on Senators to reject these staggering cuts to health care and other desperately needed services. Congress must reject efforts to strip essential services from millions of people in order to finance tax breaks for wealthy individuals. Americans deserve better."



<u>Southern Poverty Law Center</u> - "It is deeply troubling to watch so many in the country applaud a bill that so blatantly abandons struggling families and accelerates the growing inequality in America. While the bill showers billionaires and corporations with money and pumps funding into brutal immigration enforcement, it takes life-saving health care, food assistance, and educational opportunities away from those who need it most."

**Society for Cardiovascular Angiography & Interventions** - "An ounce of prevention, worth a pound of cure: Access to crucial preventive care saves lives. Expanded Medicaid and ACA coverage have been essential to preventing heart attacks, strokes, hospitalizations, and avoidable amputations for PAD patients. Weakening these programs threatens decades of progress in cardiovascular health."

National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare - "There is nothing 'big' or 'beautiful' about the Republican budget reconciliation bill... The "Unfair, Ugly" bill would be more accurate. The Reverse Robin Hood House Republicans voted to cut \$717 billion from Medicaid — a program that one in five Americans rely on for health coverage — to give the wealthy another huge tax cut..."

The bill is especially cruel to seniors, as Medicaid covers 60% of the nation's long-term care services and supports... We can only hope that Senate Republicans have the commonsense and decency to mitigate the 'Unfair, Ugly" bill before it becomes law. Voters will hold the bill's supporters accountable if these unconscionable cuts are enacted."

<u>Service Employees International Union (SEIU)</u> - "Republicans in Congress just passed legislation that will **rip** health care from our families to line the pockets of the mega-rich. All those who voted for this bill will be held accountable. We should make health care better for everyone, not take it away. We should make costs go down for families, not set them up for skyrocketing bills. We should raise wages and make life more secure for working families, not pull the rug out from under them."

The Partnership for Medicaid - "The policies being considered in the reconciliation bill will shift costs to state and local governments, which will result in coverage losses and benefit and provider payment cuts negatively impacting access to needed care for Medicaid beneficiaries, including millions of children, older adults, people with disabilities and low-income working adults. State Medicaid programs are already stretched thin financially. Limiting their ability to finance their programs and other cost shifts will force states to cut benefits and payments, most likely optional benefits like home and community-based services."

<u>AFL-CIO</u> - "...Medicaid funding keeps many hospitals, particularly in rural areas, solvent and operating. Without this funding, more rural hospitals will fail, causing health care job loss, and there will be upward pressure on medical costs as remaining hospitals have to make up for lost revenue.

Cuts in SNAP, and Medicaid will also squeeze state budgets. This may result in ending programs or shifting funding from other services such as public works, education, or public safety, causing further job loss... **The end result of this bill's imbalanced approach is less security for everyone but the wealthy**."



National Domestic Workers Alliance - "Forcing workers and families to pay the price for billionaires' tax cuts is wrong and will cost people their lives and livelihoods. The National Domestic Workers Alliance has fought against Medicaid cuts every step of the way, in town halls and vigils and rallies nationwide, and we will continue to oppose this harmful legislation in the U.S. Senate."

<u>The Century Foundation</u>- "This Is ACA Repeal by Another Name. We have described many problematic policies in this bill, yet there are even more provisions that would reduce coverage, increase costs on people, or shift costs to providers and states. Right before the passage of the ACA, one-third of the bankruptcies in our country were the result of medical debt.

We don't want to go back to a world where many people are choosing whether to put food on the table, pay for housing, or seek medical care—the costs are too great for our nation."

<u>Public Citizen</u> - "By only a single vote, MAGA Republicans passed Trump's outrageous budget that cruelly attacks Medicaid and will cause 8.6 million people to lose their health care coverage. In addition, three million people each month will lose their SNAP food benefits. These heartbreaking harms to regular Americans are solely intended to extend and add tax giveaways for the wealthy."

<u>Social Security Works</u> - "If this bill becomes law, it will end Medicaid as we know it. Private insurance will get worse and more expensive. Hospitals and nursing homes around the country will close. Entire communities will lose access to health care. Working and middle class families will suffer, while billionaires get richer. This fight is far from over."

National Latina Institute for Reproductive Justice - "We are outraged about the passage of this Budget Reconciliation Bill, which will have devastating impacts on Latines, underserved communities, and the entire healthcare ecosystem. This is a direct attack on the health and dignity of our families and our futures, plain and simple."

<u>Partnership to Protect Coverage</u>- "Policy changes to the ACA or Medicaid must be guided by a commitment to expanding access to high-quality, affordable health insurance—not driven by fiscal offsets or arbitrary cost-cutting measures. Despite many claims to the contrary, this bill threatens to deepen inequities, drive up out-of-pocket costs, and eliminate coverage for millions of people who simply cannot afford to go without care."

**MOSAIC** - "Many of the provisions included in the budget reconciliation bill would pull care away from the people who need it, including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) and other diverse needs, even if they are not direct targets."

The AIDS Institute - "The House has chosen cruelty over care... This irresponsible bill is a calculated step backward that could result in 14 million more people being uninsured, burden states with billions in uncompensated care costs, and dismantle the progress we've made toward ending the HIV epidemic to give billions of dollars to billionaires in a tax giveaway and increasing deficit spending by trillions. This is not what Americans voted for in the last election, and not what they want to see now."



<u>National Health Care for the Homeless Council</u> - "It is unconscionable that our federal lawmakers are advancing measures that will literally kill people. Not only is this cruel, but it goes in the opposite direction of what is needed to 'make America healthy again."

<u>United States of Care</u> "This legislation proposes policies that would erode health care access in the United States for everyday people. It would restrict access to Medicaid and the Health Insurance Marketplace, wrapping them in red tape that would result in additional cost to the system and states, more uncompensated care for providers, and worse health for people."

<u>ACCOUNTABLE.US</u> – "This bill will make life harder for everyday Americans. Health care will be ripped away or increase in cost; grocery costs will go up; and the cost of education and energy will soar. Taking their cues from special interests and donors, Congressional Republicans passed a bill that betrays the core promise they made to the American people: make their lives better."

