



What Medicaid Cuts Mean for North Carolina


Medicaid is a Lifeline in North Carolina


Medicaid plays a critical role in North Carolina, supporting the health of children, older adults, people with disabilities and hardworking families — while also providing critical access to care through hospitals, nursing homes and rural providers statewide.

Where North Carolina's Medicaid Funding Comes From



 Medicaid Population¹
2.6 Million

 Federal Medicaid Contribution²
\$14.2 Billion

 State Medicaid Contribution³
\$5.2 Billion

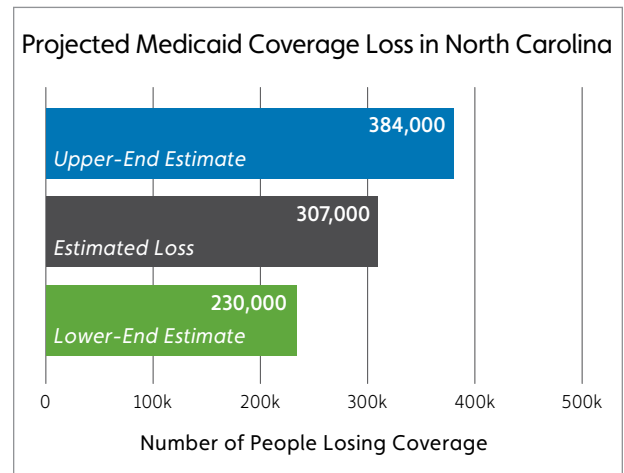
What's at Stake

The proposed Medicaid cuts outlined in H.R. 1 would strip health coverage away from North Carolina residents and force significant economic trade-offs, leaving taxpayers footing the bill to cover funding gaps.

The combination of cuts included in the bill would **reduce federal Medicaid funding to North Carolina by 11%**, totaling roughly **\$23 billion over the next decade**.⁴


Projected Medicaid Coverage Loss in North Carolina⁵

If Congress enacts the proposed Medicaid cuts, up to **384,000 North Carolinians** could lose coverage. Even under the most conservative estimate, over **230,000 people** would be pushed out of the program as a result of eligibility restrictions, administrative red tape and reduced funding for outreach and enrollment efforts.




Estimated Economic Impact of Medicaid Work Requirements in North Carolina⁶

Work requirements would limit Medicaid eligibility and result in a reduction in economic activity, shrink the workforce and undercut state and local tax revenues.

 **State GDP Loss:**
\$1.5B – \$2.1B

 **State & Local Tax Revenue Loss:**
\$95M – \$132.5M

 **Total Jobs Lost:**
12,800 – 17,800

Congress must protect Medicaid to keep North Carolina families healthy and the state economy strong.

¹ <https://data.modernmedicaid.org/MMA/>

² <https://www.kff.org/interactive/medicaid-state-fact-sheets/>

³ Ibid.

⁴ <https://www.kff.org/medicaid/issue-brief/allocating-cbos-estimates-of-federal-medicaid-spending-reductions-and-enrollment-loss-across-the-states/>

⁵ Ibid.

⁶ <https://www.commonwealthfund.org/publications/issue-briefs/2025/may/medicaid-work-requirements-job-losses-harm-states>