

# What Medicaid Cuts Mean for Utah



### Medicaid is a Lifeline in Utah

Medicaid plays a critical role in Utah, 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 Utah's Medicaid Funding Comes From

**74**% **26**% Federal State







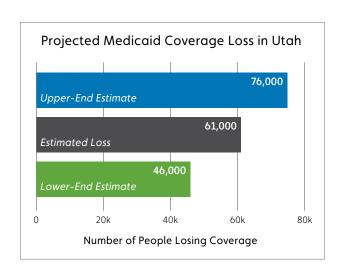
#### What's at Stake

The proposed Medicaid cuts outlined in H.R. 1 would strip health coverage away from Utah 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 Utah by 12%, totaling roughly \$5 billion over the next decade.<sup>4</sup>

#### Projected Medicaid Coverage Loss in Utah<sup>5</sup>

If Congress enacts the proposed Medicaid cuts, up to **76,000 Utahns** could lose coverage. Even under the most conservative estimate, **over 46,000 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 Utah<sup>6</sup>

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 & Local Tax Revenue Loss:

\$15.5M - \$21.8M



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

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