How Could Congressional Medicaid Cuts Affect Americans?

Capping Federal Funding Would Create a Gap in Medicaid Funding

Funding Care for Medicaid Beneficiaries

Under current law, the federal government pays states a percentage of their qualifying spending on health care and long-term services and supports.



State **Funding Federal Funding** Gap

A cap would limit federal Medicaid funding to an amount that grows more slowly than the actual cost of health care and long-term services and supports.

> Funding gap will grow over time

Under Current Law

Under Federal Cap

How Could States Respond to Federal Funding Cuts?

Raise Taxes

Cut Payments to Providers

Cut Coverage

Cut Benefits

Cut Other State Programs

Who and What Could Face Cuts?

Individuals with income above the thresholds for mandatory coverage could lose coverage. Particularly at risk are:

Children and **Adults with Disabilities**







Working-Age



Reduced funding could lead states to cut certain optional benefits, such as:

Home and **Community-Based Services**





Prescription Drugs







Education

Infrastructure





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Social Services



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