



SENATE HEALTHCARE REPEAL BILL TALKING POINTS

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**TOPLINE: 22 Million Losing Coverage from Cuts to Medicaid and Medicare ...
Just So Millionaires, Billionaires, and Giant Corporations Can Get a \$600 Billion Tax Cut**

- **The Republican health care repeal bill cuts Medicaid and Medicare to give huge tax cuts to the wealthy and big corporations.**
 - The Republican bill cuts Medicaid and Medicare, and takes health care away from 22 million Americans to give nearly \$600 billion in tax breaks to millionaires, billionaires, and big corporations.
 - Millionaires would receive a tax break of [\\$50,000 each year](#).
 - The nation's 400 richest families would each get a [\\$7 million tax cut every year](#).
- **The Republican bill gives huge tax breaks to those who already have the most, while slashing Medicaid, which provides health care to seniors, children, people with disabilities, and working families.**
 - The nearly \$600 billion in tax breaks are paid for by cutting Medicaid by nearly \$800 billion (\$772B).
 - Medicaid covers the deliveries of half of all babies and two-thirds of seniors in nursing homes.
 - 60% of Medicaid costs are for the elderly and people with disabilities.
 - President Trump promised not to cut Medicaid on the campaign trail, but he's breaking that promise.
- **The Republican bill takes \$60 billion out of Medicare to give a tax break to the wealthy.**
 - Rich people making over \$200,000 a year would get a tax break on their Medicare contributions.
 - This would shorten Medicare's solvency by two years.
 - President Trump promised not to cut Medicare on the campaign trail, but he's breaking that promise.
- **The Republican bill gives big tax cuts to health insurance and prescription drug corporations, paid for by cutting coverage and raising costs for seniors and people with disabilities.**
 - Giant health insurance corporations like Aetna, Cigna and United Health Group will get \$145 billion in tax breaks from the Trump plan, but millions of people will pay more for coverage. The profits of the 8 biggest insurance companies [topped \\$25 billion last year](#). They don't need a \$145 billion tax cut.
 - Prescription drug corporations like Pfizer will get \$25 billion in tax breaks, but Trumpcare won't lower drug costs for seniors. The top 10 drug companies had [profits of \\$83 billion last year](#).
 - Older Americans will see their health insurance premiums skyrocket. A 64-year-old making about \$60,000 a year and buying private insurance will face premium jumps of as much as [\\$13,700 a year](#).
- **The public does not want the Republican bill. They want the rich and corporations to pay their fair share.**
 - The public knows it's wrong to cut funding for Medicaid and Medicare to pay for big tax cuts for the wealthy and for insurance and drug companies.
 - That's why Trumpcare is opposed by most Americans. Just 12% of Americans support the bill, according to a [USA Today](#) poll. Just 17% supported the Senate bill in another poll ([NPR/PBS Newshour/Marist](#)).
 - Most Americans believe the wealthy and corporations are already [dodging their fair share of taxes](#), according to the Pew Research Center.

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