



The Crusade Against Medicaid and the ACA

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The American Health Care Act



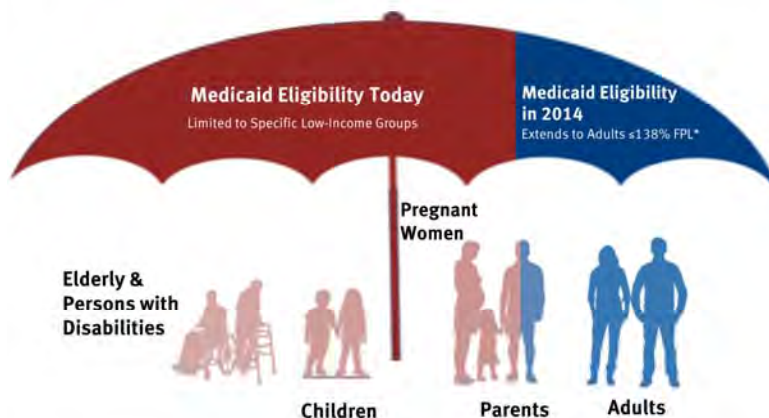
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Key Features of AHCA – Medicaid

- **Freezes Medicaid Expansion**
- Requires redeterminations every six months for Medicaid expansion population
- Eliminates Essential Health Benefits
- Allows states to impose work requirements on Medicaid expansion population
- Medicaid changed from entitlement to 'per capita cap'
- Allows states to opt for a Medicaid block grant

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The ACA Medicaid Expansion Fills Current Gaps in Coverage

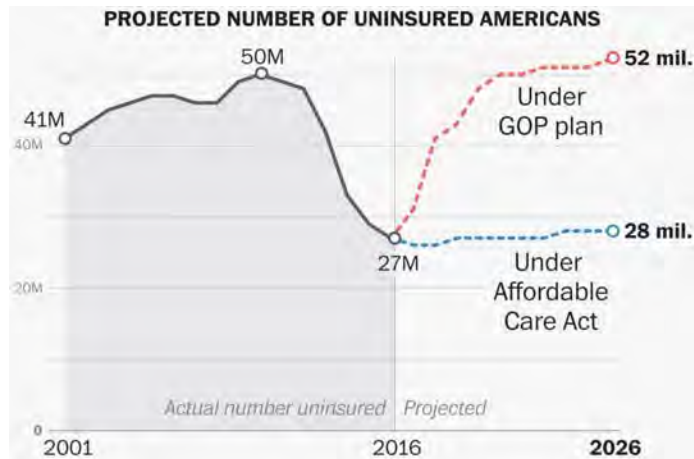


NOTE: The June 2012 Supreme Court decision in *National Federation of Independent Business v. Sebelius* maintained the Medicaid expansion, but limited the Secretary's authority to enforce it, effectively making the expansion optional for states. 138% FPL = \$15,856 for an individual and \$26,951 for a family of three in 2013.



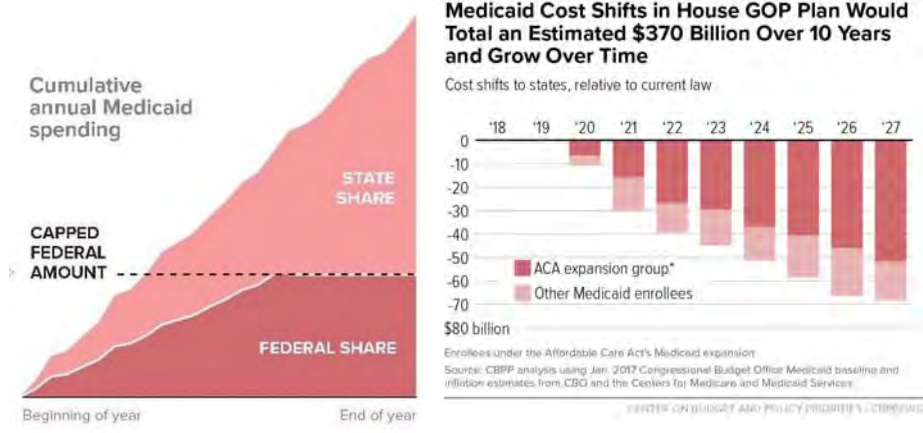
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Reversal of ACA Progress



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Medicaid Per Capita Cap



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AHCA Passes House 217-213



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WHAT NOW?

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On to the Senate



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Senate prognosis

- AHCA NOT dead on arrival
- Basic structure likely to stay same
- Medicaid expansion extended?
- Per capita caps retained?
- Medicaid expansion states
Senators vs. conservatives
- Governors have influence



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Congressional Timeline

- **RIGHT NOW:** Private Senate Deliberations
- **Week of May 22nd:** AHCA CBO Score for House bill
- **End of May or beginning of June:** President's FY18 Budget Proposal
- **Week of May 29th:** Congressional Recess
- **June:** Possible Senate Bill made public
- **Late June or July:** Possible Senate Bill vote
- **Week of July 3rd:** Congressional Recess
- **August:** Five week Congressional Recess
- **By September 30:** FY18 funding, many health extenders

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***WHAT CAN WE
DO?***

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Protect Our Care Illinois

- ~100 organizations
- Thousands of calls placed to Congress and the Governor
- Dozens of events throughout the state
- Letters to the editor and op-eds throughout the state
- Constant FB and Twitter presence
- Trainings and presentations



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Illinois Advocacy Activities

- Follow POCIL on social media
- Forward to colleagues and staff
- Collect stories
- Letter to the editor or op-ed
- Schedule an in-district meeting May 30 – June 2
- Attend a training or rally
- Support Senate champions
- Pressure/educate Governor and House Members

**REMEMBER ANY SENATE BILL MUST
RETURN TO THE HOUSE FOR A VOTE**

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