

The Graham-Cassidy Bill would take health care away from many older Arizonans.

The Graham-Cassidy bill, the latest version of an Affordable Care Act (ACA) repeal bill, would cap and cut Medicaid, end Medicaid expansion and health insurance subsidies, and undermine many of the ACA's consumer protections. The bill would disproportionately penalize Arizona and take away health care from many older Arizonans.

Arizona would lose \$19 Billion in federal funding by 2027 and Millions would be uninsured.

- Federal funding nationwide would be cut by \$489 Billion by 2027. These cuts would skyrocket to over \$4 Trillion by 2036.
- Arizona would suffer a disproportionate share of initial federal cuts due to an unfair funding formula.
- Graham-Cassidy would take health coverage from at least 32 Million people nationwide, including 511,000 Arizonans.
- The end of Medicaid expansion alone risks coverage for 418,400 Arizonans, including many 50- to 64-year-olds.

Cuts would force Arizona to cut nursing home care home health care and other services that help older Arizonans maintain their independence.

- Medicaid is the primary payer for 59% of Arizona's nursing facility residents.
- Approximately 58,495 Arizonans receive long-term services and supports through Medicaid at any one time.
- Medicaid covers approximately 90,000 Arizonans age 65 and older.
- The bill's Medicaid cuts will grow over time, making it hard for Arizona to meet the needs of its growing aging population. By 2025, the number of Arizonans over age 65 is expected to grow by 64.2%, and the number over 85, a population that relies on long-term services and supports, is expected to grow by 37.7%.
- Arizona is one of twelve states that improved its Medicaid program to help people dually eligible afford their Medicare premiums and cost sharing, benefiting 204,000 Arizonans. The proposed Medicaid cuts put this help at risk.

Arizonans ages 50-64 could face unaffordable health insurance premiums.

- Graham-Cassidy would end the tax credits and cost-sharing reductions that help 44,000 Arizonans ages 50-64 afford coverage through the Marketplace.
- The bill allows states to waive the ACA's limits on age-related premium increases. This "age tax" by itself would raise premiums in Arizona by \$6,308 annually for a 60-year-old.
- Fewer consumer protections would cause additional sharp cost increases for older adults and others with preexisting conditions.
- Premiums and out-of-pocket costs could rise by as much as \$22,074 a year for a 60-year-old living in Arizona with \$25,000 in income.

