Medicaid is Vital to West Virginia

West Virginia Medicaid is a public health insurance program designed to help people who otherwise could not afford health coverage.

Medicaid is a statefederal partnership, which means that federal and state funds jointly finance West Virginia Medicaid.

Medicaid Enrollment and Spending by Eligibility Group

31%		47%			8%	13%
Spending						
15%	37%		21%	27%		

MEDICAID IS VITAL TO WEST VIRGINIA'S BUDGET



The federal government contributes \$2.88 to Medicaid for every \$1 West Virginia invests.



72% of federal funding sent to West Virginia is for Medicaid, which is about \$4.1 billion annually.

Federal funding for Medicaid is critical to health care in West Virginia



Medicaid pays for 35% of births in West Virginia

Helps ensure access to critical prenatal care, maternity care, and postpartum services.

Medicaid covers 45% of

all West Virginia children Insures children in low-income families, children with special health care needs, and children

in foster care.

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Medicaid pays for the care of 77% of nursing home residents in West Virginia

Provides critical nursing home and community-based services for seniors and people with disabilities.



Medicaid covers mental health services in West Virginia

Nationally, Medicaid is the largest single source of funding for mental health and substance use care.

FEDERAL MEDICAID CUTS WOULD:



Do nothing to lower health care costs or improve quality and access to care.



Devastate state budgets, putting other priorities like K-12 funding at risk.

Undermine financial stability of the health system, especially rural hospitals and community clinics.



Jeopardize health coverage for millions of children and families, seniors, and people with disabilities.



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