

Georgia

STATE MEDICAID FACTS

Protect Your Healthcare, Schools and Hospitals

The U.S. House of Representatives has approved \$880 billion in cuts that will likely come from Medicaid.

One plan could cause **471,000 people in Georgia to lose coverage from Georgia Medicaid** (the state's Medicaid program). Caxil Georgia would lose \$8.4 billion under another proposal. That money will be made up through firing public service workers, raising taxes or kicking people off of Georgia Medicaid.



medicaid helps 72 MILLION

people with disabilities, veterans, new mothers, retirees, students and low wage workers.

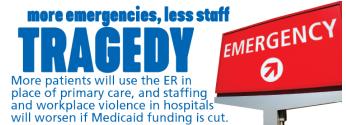
In Georgia, 1,735,459 people are supported by Medicaid. Coxili This includes 45% percent of moms giving birth, Coxil 42% percent of children Coxil and 72% percent of grandparents and other seniors in nursing homes in Georgia. Coxil Medicaid also supports veterans, students, working families and AFT members.



medicaid is the LARGEST

health insurance provider for children in the United States and covers about half of all kids.

School health professionals, like speech pathologists, occupational therapists and school nurses and psychologists, all rely on Medicaid funding. Without Medicaid, they will not be able to help as many of the 230,000 students in Georgia schools with disabilities. cxxvii



Medicaid accounts for 19 percent of all payments to hospitals nationwide. Coxviii Cuts could lead to longer wait times, rushed care, hospital closures and an increase in workplace violence and other challenges faced by our healthcare members. Rural areas and small towns could be impacted the worst, with families having to travel hours for maternity or cancer care. Coxxix



Georgia receives \$11,783,000,000 in federal Medicaid funding annually. COOK Gutting Medicaid will mean **job losses**—in hospitals, in schools and to Georgia public service jobs.

We're in this fight together. Bipartisan groups representing state legislators, state governments, county managers and cities are concerned about the fate of Medicaid.cxxi And 71 percent of voters who supported President Trump oppose cuts to Medicaid.cxxii We need you to tell the political leaders and donors in Washington, D.C., to keep their hands off of Georgia Medicaid: www.actionnetwork.org/letters/medicaid-cuts-2025.

The AFT is a union of professionals that champions fairness; democracy; economic opportunity; and high-quality public education, healthcare and public services for our students, their families and our communities. We are committed to advancing these principles through community engagement, organizing, collective bargaining and political activism, and especially through the work our members do.

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