**WHAT REPEALING THE HEALTH REFORM LAW MEANS TO NORTH DAKOTA**

**OVERVIEW**

- More than 20,000 North Dakotans covered through the individual marketplace would likely lose coverage.
- Nearly 18,000 middle class North Dakotans would likely lose tax credits that help pay for health care averaging $262 per month.

**RURAL**

- Hospitals and clinics, particularly those in rural areas, could close without the funding from the Medicaid expansion, according to the North Dakota Hospital Association.
- Community Health Centers, which more than 36,000 North Dakotans rely on for care, would lose 70 percent of their federal funding, according to the National Association of Community Health Centers.

**QUALITY OF CARE**

- More than 359,000 North Dakotans would lose free access to preventive health services like flu shots, cancer screenings, and more.
- Thousands with a mental illness or substance abuse disorders would lose Medicaid access, exacerbating the state’s opioid epidemic.
- Insurers could force North Dakotans to pay more for their health care by ending caps on lifetime or annual out-of-pocket limits. Before the law, 253,000 North Dakotans had a lifetime cap on their policies.
- Tribal health care facilities would lose federal resources that strengthen their health care services, and provisions expanding coverage specifically for Native Americans would be eliminated – harming health outcomes for families across Indian Country.

**SENIORS**

- Nearly 12,000 North Dakota seniors who saved $11 million on prescription drugs in 2015 alone would see their prescription drug costs go up.
- North Dakota seniors would be forced to pay out-of-pocket for preventive services – like cancer screenings, colonoscopies, or diabetes screenings – which more than 71,000 North Dakota seniors used in 2015.
- Medicare would face insolvency within years.
- Insurers would be allowed to charge older North Dakotans many times more for health care than younger North Dakotans.

**ECONOMY**

- North Dakota taxpayers would lose millions in savings from the Medicaid expansion.
- North Dakota hospitals and doctors would lose $68 million annually as Medicare reimbursement in rural states would drastically drop, according to the North Dakota Medical Association.

**EFFECTS ON NORTH DAKOTANS**

- Nearly 18,000 North Dakotans who gained coverage through the Medicaid expansion would lose health coverage.
- More than 275,000 North Dakotans who have a pre-existing health condition could be denied coverage or charged exorbitant prices.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services