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RMS End of Week Update 7/3/2025



Happy 4th Of July From All Of Us At Reid, McNally & Savage

Statements From NYS Legislative Leaders On Senate Passage of “Trump’s Big Ugly Bill” and Its Impact on New York

Govenror Hochul: “Senate Republicans moved one step closer to ripping health care away from millions of Americans to pay for massive tax breaks for billionaires.

“From North Country farmers to downstate hospitals, Trump’s ‘Big Ugly Bill’ would devastate New Yorkers. Over one million people in our state would lose their health care. A quarter million would see cuts to SNAP. Nursing homes will close. Food prices will rise. Hospitals will shutter. All during a national affordability crisis.

“Every single New York Republican in Congress backed this disaster. They helped write it, cheered it on, and voted to gut the very programs that keep their constituents alive. The bill slashes Medicaid, axes clean energy tax credits, and guts SNAP.

“I will do everything in my power to shield New Yorkers from the fallout. But if this bill becomes law, there will be real pain. And the Republicans who helped inflict it won’t be able to hide from the consequences. Not in Washington. Not in New York. Not ever.”

Assembly Speaker Heastie: “The administration in Washington can call this a "Big Beautiful Bill" all they want, but Americans know the truth. It is ugly and cruel and will be devastating for families across New York and across the country.

They are taking an axe to Medicaid and cutting off access to healthcare for low income families, children and people with disabilities. They're restricting access to the ACA for low- and middle-income Americans. It would make almost 12 million Americans lose their health insurance. All to make sure their billionaire donors get to keep their tax cuts.

I'm disgusted and disappointed that they are willing to sell out their constituents like this.

I am calling, once again, on New York's seven Republican members of Congress to stand up for New Yorkers and for all Americans and vote against this travesty when it goes back to the House.”

Senate Majority Leader Stewart-Cousins: “Trump's cruel budget bill just narrowly passed the Senate. This bill would strip Medicaid from 1.5 million New Yorkers, gut \$13.5 billion from our healthcare system, and raise costs for everyone. While we've worked in Albany to expand care, Washington Republicans are pushing cruel cuts to fund tax breaks for billionaires. The House can still stop this and we're calling on the 7 New York Republicans in Congress to vote NO and protect the health and dignity of the people they were elected to serve.

We urge every New Yorker to call the seven GOP members of Congress - Reps. LaLota, Garbarino, Malliotakis, Stefanik, Langworthy, Tenney, and Lawler - and demand they vote NO on these devastating cuts today - before it's too late."

The bill is currently being voted on in the House of Representatives with House Speaker Mike Johnson saying the budget bill will be delivered today. Representative Hakeem Jeffries, the New York Democrat and minority leader has been speaking for over 7 hours and is currently speaking on the devastating impacts of this bill to Americans. For more information on the devastating impact of this legislation on New York please click [here](#).

Summary of 7/2/25 Federal Reconciliation Bill - Health Briefing Provided by the Office of Governor Hochul and the NYS Department of Health

Reid, McNally & Savage participated in a briefing provided by Governor Hochul's office and the Department of Health regarding the pending federal spending package and what it means for health coverage and social services in New York State. Please find a summary of the briefing below.

Amey Sutkowski, Federal Affairs, Office of Governor Kathy Hochul

Amey Sutkowski provided introductory remarks, noting progression of the Republican Budget Reconciliation Bill advancing in Congress. The House passed their initial version of the Bill in May, with the Senate narrowly passing their own version of the Bill yesterday, which now returns to the House for a vote. At a glance, the version of the Bill passed by the Senate is expected to impose \$1.2 trillion in federal cuts. The House plans to vote today in advance of their self-imposed deadline of July 4, 2025.

Danielle Holahan, Executive Director, New York State of Health

- New York State of Health is anticipating significant cuts to healthcare programs in NY. Current conservative estimates of 1.5 million New Yorkers who will be newly uninsured as a result of these cuts and a \$13.5 billion total fiscal impact to New York.
- The healthcare provisions of the Congressional Budget Reconciliation Bill will severely jeopardize the Essential Plan and New York's healthcare system. The Bill eliminates premium tax credit eligibility for almost half of current enrollees and cuts more than 50% of the program's funding with \$10 billion in annual losses for New York's healthcare economy.
- The number of uninsured New Yorkers is expected to increase as a result of these changes, increasing the amount of uncompensated care.
- Hospital losses are expected to exceed \$1.3 billion annually and over 730,000 individuals will lose federally funded Essential Plan coverage. About 506,000 of those individuals will move to Medicaid and the remainder, about 224,000, will lose their coverage.
- The Bill also limits coverage availability for lawfully present immigrant population (green card holders), who will no longer be eligible for subsidies they were previously eligible for.

Amir Bassiri, Medicaid Director, New York State Department of Health

- Amir Bassiri highlighted significant impacts to Medicaid and Child Health Plus (CHP), detailing eligibility changes, work requirements, and anticipated coverage losses.
- Groups previously eligible (refugees, asylees, parolees, etc.) will lose eligibility, with an almost immediate effective date once the bill is signed.
- Retroactive coverage period for ACA expansion is changing. This has always been 90 days for all coverage types and will now be a two-month timeframe for CHP, and one month for Medicaid.
- Establishment of mandatory community engagement requirements will have a significant and exponential impact on coverage loss for existing members. NYS projects

between 600,000 and 1.1 million people would lose eligibility to Medicaid as a result of these requirements which are required to take effect by 2028.

- New York State is inquiring with other states that operate work requirements within their Medicaid programs to understand implementation of these more cumbersome requirements.

- Hospitals, Community Health Centers, physicians and other providers will experience losses in revenue as populations lose coverage, putting essential Medicaid providers out of business, resulting in job losses and local economic impacts.

- In aggregate, additional Medicaid costs are estimated at \$3 billion - \$5 billion annually, amounts which do not yet include costs associated with uncompensated care. These estimates include costs associated with new requirements for DACA Recipients, implementation of new work requirements which is a huge administrative burden, and the lost state share of the MCO Tax, as DOH is anticipating only one year of revenue, rather than the previously planned two years of revenue from the MCO Tax.

- By 2029, NYS estimates between 1 million and 1.5 million individuals will lose health insurance as a result of this legislation. As much as 15% of the entire Medicaid program will lose their coverage.

Sonia Sekhar, Deputy Director, New York State of Health

- New York State of Health is working to disseminate information to consumers including high-level consumer information/guidance for renewing health insurance and how certain individuals may be impacted in the new enrollment year.

- Unlike previous auto-enrollments, enrollees will now be required to take action to ensure continued coverage. The open enrollment period is being shortened. This will require more communication with enrollees to ensure coverage continuation.

Q&A

- How will the state absorb these additional costs? A: The Governor's office responded that no state can backfill these unprecedented cuts. The State Budget that just passed is being stripped of about 15% of federal funding which will require a renegotiation.

- Is there more information about who is required to fulfill new work requirements? A: Amir Bassiri noted that DOH will provide more information on work requirement eligibility once legislation is enacted.

- What are some of the earliest changes we can expect will be implemented? A: The DACA population change is required to be made 60 days after implementation of the final rule. Verification requirements are also fairly immediate. The Essential Plan Change impacting 500,000 individuals must be made by January 2026.

- Is there any possibility of Medicare backfilling any of these cuts? A: No.

- How will these changes impact specific service lines (SUD treatment, maternal health, etc)? A: Decisions will have to be made about whether specific programs can continue. If this language is enacted, changes will be necessary, although decisions have not been made yet.

· Impacts to current 1115 waiver? A: None of the cuts in the proposed bill directly impact the 1115 waiver and those funds are secured for the duration of that waiver period.

The Governor's office closed by urging community members to continue contacting members of the New York Congressional delegation who are supporting the Reconciliation Bill.

Slides are included linked [here](#) and in the attached PDF.

OMIG Provider Engagement Session

The OMIG provider engagement session took place on June 25, 2025 with panelists including Frank Walsh, Erin Ives, Michael D'Allaird, and Amanda Susser. Please find [here](#) and attached a full summary of the session and the powerpoint is linked [here](#).

OMIG to Begin Performing a 12-Month Review Period for Compliance Program Reviews

For reviews beginning after July 1, 2025, the New York State Office of the Medicaid Inspector General (OMIG) will use a 12-month review period for newly initiated Compliance Program Reviews (CPR). CPRs serve to determine whether required providers have adopted, implemented, and maintained an effective compliance program as required by [Title 18 New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations Part 521](#). This change will not affect reviews currently being conducted by OMIG.

OMIG notifies required providers of its intent to commence a review of its compliance program by sending a written notification of the review period and procedures for completing the review. The required provider responds with a completed Module and related documentation within thirty (30) days. Providers will receive formal notification regarding the results of the review following OMIG's completion of the review. OMIG will also engage and communicate with the provider throughout the course of review.

Additional information regarding the compliance program review process and provider requirements can be found on OMIG's Compliance web page, located at: <https://omig.ny.gov/compliance/compliance>. Information regarding potential penalties for providers that do not have a satisfactory compliance program can be found on OMIG's Compliance Library web page, located at: <https://omig.ny.gov/compliance/compliance-library>.

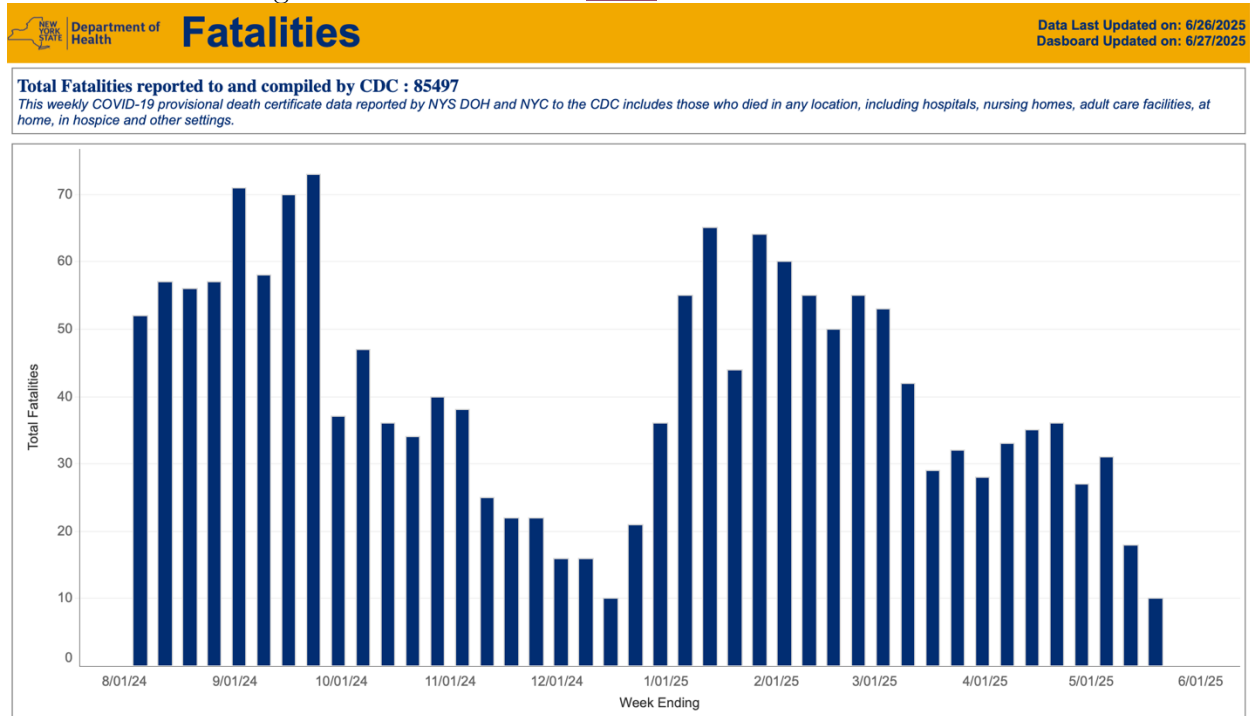
Questions regarding compliance program requirements should be directed to OMIG's Bureau of Compliance by email at: compliance@omig.ny.gov.

NYS COVID-19 Monitoring Dashboard

Use this link to view the State's updated [COVID-19 Hub](#).

NYS COVID-19 Fatalities Tracker

Below we have included the Fatalities Tracker with the webpage where updated numbers can be found throughout the week linked [here](#).



Helpful Links and Resources

[RMS Final Budget Tax/Revenue Table](#)

[RMS SFY 2025-26 Final Budget H/MH Summary](#)

[Center for Disease Control and Prevention](#)

[Department of Financial Services information and resources](#)

[New York COVID-19 Vaccine Information Page](#)

Department of Health

<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home>

[COVID-19 Guidance for Medicaid Providers](#)

Office of Mental Health

<https://omh.ny.gov/omhweb/covid-19-resources.html>

OPWDD

<https://opwdd.ny.gov/coronavirus-guidance>

State Education Department

<http://www.op.nysed.gov/COVID-19.html>

NYS Department of Labor

<https://dol.ny.gov/>