

OBAMACARE REPEAL AND REPLACE

# Our Plan

# Why We Are Taking Action Now to Repeal and Replace Obamacare

“Since [Obamacare] went into effect, the insurance choices and coverage have gotten lower and the costs have gotten higher. **Virtually no doctors take the marketplace insurance** so I’m left to change doctors who I’ve seen for over 30 years and switch to “new” doctors who I don’t trust, and who cannot provide the same healthcare benefits I’ve received in the past. **I have a brain tumor that I have monitored by a very skilled neuro-oncologist. Not anymore.**”

— KIMBERLY K., OHIO

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“I am 60 years old and a private, retired citizen. I have always had private insurance. Prior to 2016, I enjoyed a PPO, my doctors, Memorial Herman, and MD Anderson if I should have ever needed it. In 2016, **my premiums went up, I lost my PPO, I lost my doctors, my hospital and MD Anderson if I should ever need it** ... In 2017, my premiums jumped 69.21% to \$900 a month. I have a deductible of \$7,150. I need a knee replacement ... If I have a knee replacement under Obamacare it will run at least \$20,000.”

— LAUREN M., TEXAS

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“Despite Obama’s promises, my plan was canceled at an affordable \$450 a month when Obamacare was implemented. My new plan has gone up every year and for 2017 will be over \$1,300 a month. My husband and I cannot keep up with these increases. **Soon it will be a choice between food and housing or health care.**”

— VIRGINIA Q., FLORIDA

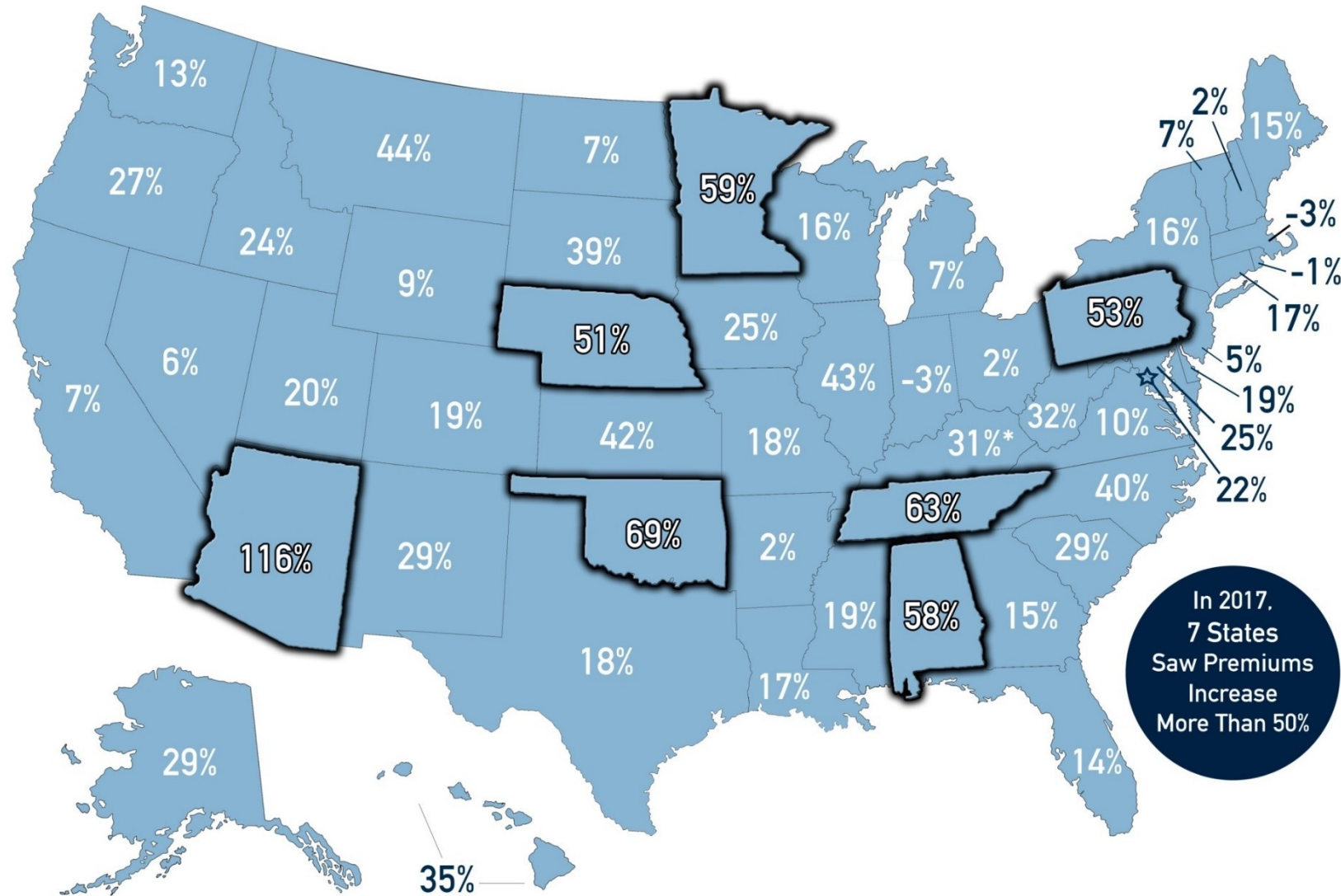
# As Americans Across the Country Have Made Clear, They Need Relief Now

Obamacare is collapsing across the country, raising costs for patients and forcing insurers out of the marketplace, which leaves patients and families with nowhere to go.

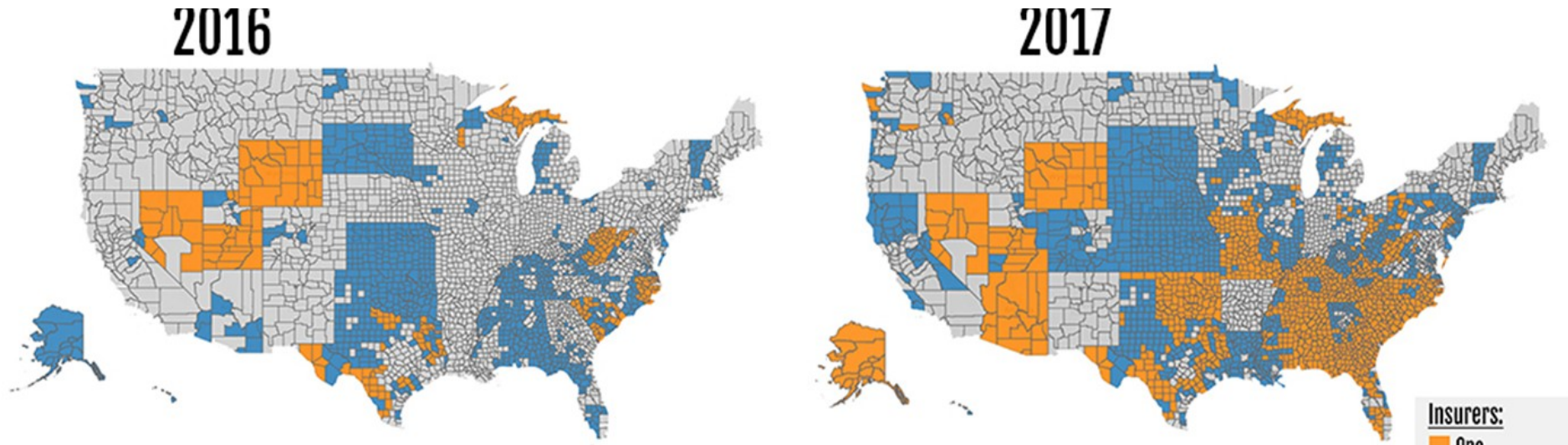
**“Death Spiral”** – Aetna CEO Mark Bertolini said on February 15<sup>th</sup> that the Obamacare marketplaces are in a “death spiral” and doomed to fail. **“It’s not going to get any better; it’s getting worse.”**

**Fewer Options:** On February 14<sup>th</sup>, Health Insurance provider Humana announced they would be pulling out of Obamacare markets completely, citing a failing system and massive financial losses. This leaves patients with fewer options for care.

# Because of Obamacare, Premiums are Skyrocketing



# Because of Obamacare, Choices are Dwindling



**Insurers:**  
■ One  
■ Two  
■ Three or More

| Number of Insurers     | Counties in 2016 | Counties in 2017 |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| One Insurer            | 225 counties     | 1,022 counties   |
| Two Insurers           | 919 counties     | 1,120 counties   |
| Three or More Insurers | 2,000 counties   | 1,002 counties   |

**\*EVEN WORSE\***  
5 entire states  
 will have only  
 1 insurer

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Oklahoma
- South Carolina
- Wyoming

# House Republicans are Working with Our New Administration to Deliver Solutions Through:

## Regulatory Relief by Administration

- Provide patients immediate relief from expensive Obamacare mandates
- Reforms to stabilize the market

## Repeal and replace through Reconciliation

- Repeal significant portions of Obamacare
- Ensure a stability period for patients
- Include elements of Replace

## Additional Legislation

- Strengthen insurance markets by empowering patients, families, and States



# Repealing Obamacare

- **Deliver relief from the Obamacare taxes** that have hurt job creators, increased premium costs, and limited options for patients and health care providers.
- **Eliminate the individual and employer mandate penalties**, which forced millions of workers, families, and job creators into expensive, inadequate Obamacare plans that they don't want and cannot afford.
- Repeal Obamacare spending for the Medicaid expansion and the new, open-ended subsidies.

# Protecting Patients

The GOP plan would offer strong protections for patients and the most vulnerable:

- **Protect patients with pre-existing conditions** - Our plan ensures every American, has the comfort of knowing you can never be denied coverage or charged more because of a pre-existing condition.
- **Protect coverage for young people** - Our plan allows dependents up to age 26 to stay on their parents' plan, helping younger Americans receive health care and stabilizing the market.
- **Bring Medicaid into the 21st century** - Our plan brings Medicaid into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century empowering states to design Medicaid programs that best meet their needs, which will help reduce costs and prioritize care for our most vulnerable citizens. Additionally, those who gained coverage under the Obamacare Medicaid expansion will continue to have access to affordable health care moving forward.

# Transferring Power from Washington Back to the States: State Innovation Grants

- States know how to best take care of their own patients – not the federal government. Through this process, we can give states the ability to repair their health insurance markets that were damaged by Obamacare.
- As envisioned in A Better Way, providing funding for state innovation programs – whether it is high-risk pools, cutting out-of-pocket costs like premiums and deductibles, or promoting access to health care services – states can gain resources to best take care of their unique patient populations.

# Transferring Power from Washington Back to the States: Modernizing Medicaid

- Instead of burdening states with more mandates from Washington bureaucrats, our plan empowers states to design plans that will best meet their needs and put Medicaid on sustainable financial footing.
- The Medicaid program, a critical lifeline for some of our most vulnerable patients, is three times the size – and costs three times as much as – it was under President Clinton. This is not sustainable.
- The reforms will focus the program back onto those most in need, and put Medicaid on a budget, and ensure we don't pull the rug out from anyone who received care under the expansion.

# Empowering Individuals and Families, Restoring the Free Market: Enhanced Health Savings Accounts

- Obamacare's one-size-fits-all policies limited how individuals could spend and save their health care dollars.
- Our proposal empowers individuals and families to spend their health care dollars the way they want and need—not the way Washington prescribes—by enhancing and expanding Health Savings Accounts, or HSAs.
- For example, our proposal increases the amount of money an individual or family can put into their HSA, and allows individuals and families to spend money from their HSA on “over-the-counter” health care items.
- Our proposal also allows spouses to make additional contributions, and expands the amount of time and individual or family can use an HSA on certain expenses.

# Empowering Individuals and Families, Restoring the Free Market: New, Portable, Monthly Tax Credits

- Today, many Americans receive support for their health insurance through work, Medicare, Medicaid, or other government programs, while others are forced to subsidize Obamacare's sky-high costs by purchasing mandated health insurance they do not like and cannot afford.
- Our proposal provides all Americans access to a portable, monthly tax credit that they can use to buy a health insurance plan that's right for them—not one tied to a job or a government-mandated program.
- Our proposal is based on age, so as individuals' health needs evolve over time, so will their monthly, portable tax credit. It can travel with them from job to job, state to state, home to start a

# Moving Forward: Advancing Step-by-Step, Patient-Centered Reforms to:

- Decrease costs and increase choices by promoting competition and innovation in the insurance market.
- Increase flexibility for employers to offer affordable, quality health care options to their employees.
- Allow individuals and families to purchase insurance across state lines.
- Maintain pre-existing condition protections, allowing kids under 26 to be on their parents' plans.

**Questions?**