



## PENNSYLVANIA FACT SHEET

### AAFP on Health Reform

The AAFP believes that policies should be adopted to ensure continued progress towards health care for all supported by a payment system that rewards value over volume of service. The health system should promote prevention and wellness, protect patients from financial barriers to needed services and build a primary care physician workforce that can meet the growing demand for care. The AAFP has a number of policymaker resources regarding these issues that can be found at [http://www.aafp.org/advocacy/act/policy\\_resources.html](http://www.aafp.org/advocacy/act/policy_resources.html).

### Pennsylvania Family Medicine

- There are 4,332 family physicians in Pennsylvania.
- Pennsylvania has 29 family medicine residency programs.
- Pennsylvania has 156 medically underserved areas/populations.
- 1.7% of the residents in Pennsylvania live in a health professional shortage area.

### Medicaid in Pennsylvania

- In 2015, 18% of people in Pennsylvania were covered by Medicaid/CHIP.
- Medicaid/CHIP enrollment increased by 500,000 between 2013 and 2016.
- Pennsylvania's uninsured rate decreased from 10% in 2013 to 6% in 2015.
- In Pennsylvania, 71% of adult and child Medicaid enrollees live in households with at least one worker.
- In Pennsylvania, 36% of Medicaid spending is for Medicare beneficiaries.<sup>1</sup>

### Impact of Health Reform Repeal with no Replacement in Pennsylvania

- 956,000 people in the state of Pennsylvania would lose their health coverage.<sup>2</sup>
- Loss of \$35.9 billion in federal funding.
  - Federal marketplace spending on Pennsylvania would decrease by \$1.2 billion in 2019 and \$13.3 billion between 2019 and 2028.
  - Federal Medicaid funding in Pennsylvania would decrease by \$1.9 billion in 2019 and \$22.7 billion between 2019 and 2028.<sup>3</sup>
- In Pennsylvania, 2 million non-elderly adults have a declinable preexisting condition
  - This represents 27% of non-elderly adults in the state.<sup>4</sup>
- In Pennsylvania, the cost of uncompensated care would increase by \$1.8 billion.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> *Medicaid State Fact Sheets*. (2017, January 26). Retrieved from <http://kff.org/interactive/medicaid-state-fact-sheets/>

<sup>2</sup> *Impact of Affordable Care Act Repeal* (2016, December 7) Retrieved from <http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/impact-of-affordable-care-act-repeal>

<sup>3</sup> *Impact of Affordable Care Act Repeal* (2016, December 7) Retrieved from <http://www.cbpp.org/research/health/impact-of-affordable-care-act-repeal>

<sup>4</sup> Claxton, Gary, Cynthia Cox, Anthony Damico, Larry Levitt, and Karen Pollitz. (2016, December 12) *Pre-existing Conditions and Medical Underwriting in the Individual Insurance Market Prior to the ACA*. Retrieved from <http://kff.org/health-reform/issue-brief/pre-existing-conditions-and-medical-underwriting-in-the-individual-insurance-market-prior-to-the-aca/>

<sup>5</sup> Buettgens, Matthew, Linda Blumberg, John Holahan, and Siyabonga Ndwandwe. (2016, June) *The Cost of ACA Repeal*. Retrieved from <http://www.urban.org/sites/default/files/publication/81296/2000806-The-Cost-of-the-ACA-Repeal.pdf>

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