

Protect Medicaid Funding!

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Medicaid (Medi-Cal in California) provides healthcare for 15+ million Californians. Federal cuts would severely impact healthcare access statewide.

California's Medi-Cal Funding

Total funding: \$184 billion (FY 2024-25)

\$107 billion Federal funding (58%)

\$37.6 billion State general fund (20%)

\$39.4 billion Local government, health plan fees, provider taxes (22%) (also under threat of cuts)

Direct Impact on San Mateo County and Southeast San Francisco CA-15

Tech corridor workforce vulnerability: CA-15 includes San Mateo County's tech corridor where many service workers, contractors, and families depend on Medi-Cal for affordable healthcare coverage

Peninsula healthcare hub at risk: San Mateo Medical Center serves as a critical safety-net hospital for the entire Peninsula, with Medicaid funding essential for emergency and trauma services

Diverse suburban and urban communities: CA-15's mix of San Mateo County suburbs and southeast San Francisco neighborhoods include working families, immigrants, and service workers who rely on Medi-Cal for family healthcare

Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM) dependence: HPSM manages Medi-Cal services for the entire county, coordinating care across multiple hospitals, clinics, and specialty providers

CA Congressional District 15 Medicaid/Medi-Cal Facts

Total coverage: Approximately 223,000 people depend on Medi-Cal in CA-15

This represents about 30% of the district's population

An additional 28,000+ residents receive Covered California premium subsidies

Combined, over 251,000 people (34% of the district) rely on Medi-Cal or Covered CA subsidies

Estimated enrollment breakdown:

- 78,000 children (18 and under)
- 45,000 seniors and disabled adults
- 100,000 working adults and caregivers

Economic impact: Approximately \$2.67 billion in annual Medi-Cal spending in the district

Healthcare infrastructure at risk:

Time to Take Action!

- San Mateo Medical Center, the county's safety-net hospital, depends heavily on Medicaid reimbursements for emergency, trauma, and specialty care services
- Peninsula hospitals like Kaiser Permanente San Mateo, Sequoia Hospital, and Mills-Peninsula Medical Center serve significant Medi-Cal populations
- Community health centers throughout San Mateo County rely on Medicaid funding to serve diverse, multilingual communities
- Health Plan of San Mateo coordinates care for all Medi-Cal members in the county

Potential impact of cuts: Up to \$2.3 billion in federal funding losses over nine years if cuts are applied proportionally across districts

Essential healthcare services at risk:

Primary care for 223,000 residents across Peninsula communities
Emergency and trauma services at San Mateo Medical Center
Mental health and substance use treatment services
Long-term care for seniors in suburban Peninsula communities
Maternal and child healthcare for working families
Specialty care serving the broader Bay Area region

Current Budget Process

House passed resolution calling for \$880 billion in cuts from Energy & Commerce
Both chambers adopted joint budget resolution on April 10, 2025
Committee markups expected in May with final passage targeted **by Memorial Day**

Contact your representatives:

Rep. Kevin Mullin: (202) 225-8104 and (650) 342-0300
Sen. Alex Padilla: (202) 224-3553
Sen. Adam Schiff: (202) 224-3841

Contact key committee members:

House Energy & Commerce: • Chairman Brett Guthrie (R-KY): (202) 225-3501 • Health Subcommittee Chair Earl Carter (R-GA): (202) 225-5831
Senate Finance: • Chairman Mike Crapo (R-ID): (202) 224-6142 • Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-OR): (202) 224-5244

Senate Health, Education, Labor & Pensions (HELP) Committee: • Chairman Bill Cassidy (R-LA): (202) 224-5824

1. When calling representatives, consider using the following talking points:

"Hello, my name is _____ and I'm a constituent from _____ (your town) in California's 15th Congressional District.

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The proposed budget cuts to Medicaid would be devastating to this Peninsula district where:

- 223,000 residents---30% of our district---depend on Medi-Cal coverage
- San Mateo Medical Center serves as the Peninsula's critical safety-net hospital, providing emergency and trauma care
- Many tech industry service workers and their families throughout San Mateo County rely on Medi-Cal for healthcare access
- Health Plan of San Mateo coordinates essential care for vulnerable populations across our diverse communities
- \$2.67 billion in annual Medi-Cal spending supports our local healthcare economy and jobs

I urge _____ (Representative/Senator's name) to:

1. Oppose any budget resolution that includes deep cuts to Medicaid
2. Protect funding for Peninsula hospitals and community health centers that serve our diverse, multilingual communities
3. Recognize that Medicaid cuts would devastate working families throughout the tech corridor and Peninsula communities
4. Share a brief personal story about how Medicaid/Medi-Cal has helped you, a family member or someone you know

Thank you for your time and for considering this important issue."

Remember to be polite, specific, and brief. Staff often take these calls and will relay your message.

Opposing cuts creates healthy, economically vibrant Peninsula communities that benefit us all.