# How Would Proposals to Replace the Affordable Care Act Affect Your State?

# **KANSAS**

Projected impact of American Health Care Act (AHCA) and Better Care Reconciliation Act (BCRA)

#### **Health Care Coverage**

# 120,000 more uninsured

The Senate bill (BCRA) would increase the number of uninsured people under age 65 in Kansas by 120,000 by 2022.

Source: L.J. Blumberg, et al. State-by-State Coverage and Government Spending Implications of the Better Care Reconciliation Act, Urban Institute, June 28, 2017

#### **Hospital Finances**

Under the AHCA (House bill), Kansas hospitals would face a 12% increase in uncompensated care (treatments and services not paid for by an insurer or patient) and 0.6 percentage point reduction in annual operating margins by 2026. Rural hospitals would face a 10% increase in uncompensated care and 0.4 percentage point reduction in operating margins.

Source: R. Haught, A. Dobson, J. DaVanzo, and M. K. Abrams, "How the American Health Care Act's Changes to Medicaid Will Affect Hospital Finances in Every State," To the Point, The Commonwealth Fund, June 23, 2017.

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#### **State Revenue**

# \$4 billion in federal funding potentially lost

Kansas could lose between \$502 million and \$4 billion in federal Medicaid funds in 2026 under the AHCA.

Source: C. Mann et al., "Expect the Unexpected: The Impact of Medicaid Caps," To the Point, The Commonwealth Fund, June 30, 2017.

#### Jobs

The BCRA would lead to about 7,900 fewer Kansas jobs by 2026.

Source: L. Ku, E. Steinmetz, E. Brantley et al., The American Health Care Act: Economic and Employment Consequences for States, The Commonwealth Fund, June 2017.

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### **Opioid Treatment**

# Lives at risk

An estimated 21 lives were saved in Kansas from opioid overdose in 2016 due to Medicaid-covered naloxone.

Source: R. G. Frank and C. E. Fry, "Medicaid Expands Access to Lifesaving Naloxone," To the Point, The Commonwealth Fund, July 5, 2017

