# **Votes to Repeal Health Care in CA-45**REPRESENTATIVE MIMI WALTERS

In 2017, Congressmember Mimi Walters took major votes to cut, cap, and otherwise undermine the health care of her own constituents. Urge her to stand with California consumers and against the still-pending proposals that continue to put our patient protections at risk.

### VOTED YES ON TAX BILL<sup>1</sup>,

- ✓ Increased premiums
- Raised taxes on some Californians
- Giveaway to billionaires, corporations, and big pharma

### VOTED YES ON AMERICAN HEALTH CARE ACT<sup>2</sup>, to

- Strip health care from millions
- Cut and cap Medicaid (Medi-Cal)
- Undermine patient protections including those for pre-existing conditions

## VOTED YES ON HOUSE BUDGET BILL<sup>3</sup>, to

- Repeal the Affordable Care Act (ACA)
- ✓ Cut Medicare
- Cut and cap Medicaid (Medi-Cal)



With 2017 Tax Vote, Premiums Up

With AHCA & House Budget Votes, Coverage At Risk





Due in part to the 2017 tax bill, supported by Rep. Walters, which removed the ACA's individual coverage requirement, health insurance premiums in CA-45 will increase an additional \$454.36<sup>4</sup> in 2019.



Though not passed in the Senate, the American Health Care Act (AHCA) and House budget bill, both supported by Rep. Walters, would have led to an estimated **69,181**<sup>5</sup> fewer people with health care coverage in CA-45.

#### **Pre-Existing Conditions**



In CA-45, **338,400**<sup>5</sup> people with pre-existing conditions would have been at risk of being denied coverage under the AHCA, and remain at risk under pending federal proposals.

#### **Covered California**



With the AHCA and House budget bill supported by Rep. Walters, 29,570<sup>7</sup> people in CA-45 would have lost \$14 million<sup>8</sup> in federal funding to reduce the cost of their premiums.

**34,970**° people in CA-45 bought coverage through Covered California in 2018, the state's marketplace for individual insurance set up under the ACA.

#### Medicaid (Medi-Cal)

The AHCA and the House budget bill would have cut Medicaid by over 25% by rolling back the Medicaid expansion, and instituting per capita caps. In **CA-45**, **I6**%<sup>11</sup> of residents are on Medi-Cal.

126,22212 people in CA-45 are on Medi-Cal, and would have been negatively impacted by the proposed cuts.



At least 39,611 people in CA-45 would have lost coverage in 2020 under the AHCA due to the elimination of the Medicaid expansion.



UC Irvine Medical Center had more than 614,000 Medi-Cal inpatient and outpatient visits in 2016 and stood to lose \$67 million in annual revenue<sup>14</sup>.

#### **Medicare**

The House budget bill would have cut the Medicare program, helping seniors and people with disabilities, by \$487 billion<sup>15</sup> nationally.



### Jobs & GDP

In Orange County<sup>16</sup> **15,000 jobs** and \$1.4 billion in GDP would have been lost due to the vote on the AHCA.



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