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30+ patient groups warn:

Catastrophic coverage losses without Congressional action

Washington, Oct. 9, 2025 – Today 33 non-partisan, non-profit patient advocacy organizations issued the following statement in response to Congress’s failure to renew the expiring enhanced premium tax credits (eAPTCs) before insurance companies issued their premium increase notices for the 2026 plan year. Congressional Budget Office estimates suggest that 1.5 million people will lose health coverage if Congress delays acting until December.

“Millions of Americans will begin to see—and feel—the potential repercussions of Congressional inaction—as insurance companies begin to issue premium notices this month that, on average, will increase by [114%](#). Healthcare that people have come to count on as affordable will suddenly feel out of reach.”

“The Partnership to Protect Coverage has [repeatedly](#) called on Congress to act swiftly to reauthorize the enhanced advanced premium tax credits that are not only essential to the stability of the market, but also ensure patients can access timely, affordable care.”

“The stakes are enormous: small business owners, farmers, early retirees and—critically—patients living with serious health conditions all stand to lose. Without a clean extension of these tax credits, patients and consumers will pay a price they cannot afford: being uninsured.”

“This is not an ‘end-of-year’ problem as open enrollment begins on November 1 with higher rates. With every day that goes by, more Americans will make the gut-wrenching choice to forego health insurance because their premiums are skyrocketing. At this point, only Congress can remedy this problem—and expediency matters.”

“Congress must not fail patients twice. It’s already [too late](#); don’t let it be too little. Patients and families need certainty, stability and protection from devastating increases in healthcare costs. And they need it yesterday.”

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Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America
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Cancer Support Community
CancerCare
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
Diabetes Patient Advocacy Coalition
Epilepsy Foundation of America
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