

Impact of Federal Policy Changes

We've received questions about how potential federal program cuts could impact our services. **At the time of this printing**, several bills in Congress could affect our work. This insert aims to answer those questions. If you'd like to help advocate for our clients, contact Margaret Elliott at melliott@crisiscontrol.org for ways to get involved.



FAQ: How Federal Policy Changes Could Impact Crisis Control Ministry and Our Community Q: What's happening at the federal level that could affect North Carolinians in need?

A: Two major federal proposals—the Medicaid and SNAP provisions in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act—are advancing through the U.S. House. These changes would shift more financial responsibility to states and tighten eligibility for low-income individuals.

Medicaid Proposals

Q: What are the proposed changes to Medicaid?

A: The U.S. House Energy and Commerce Committee is proposing to:

- Require work requirements for Medicaid recipients;

- Increase documentation requirements for citizenship and immigration status;

- Reduce the federal match for Medicaid expansion (from 90% to 80%) in states offering access to undocumented immigrants; and

- Limit how states fund their share of Medicaid through provider taxes.

Q: How could this affect North Carolina?

A: These changes could reduce the number of people eligible for Medicaid and increase the financial burden on our state to provide health services.

Q: What impact could this have on Crisis Control Ministry?

A: If fewer residents qualify for Medicaid, we may see more individuals seeking help with accessing health care and prescription medications through our free pharmacy and related services.

SNAP (Food Assistance) Proposals

Q: What's being proposed for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)?

A: Proposals in the U.S. House Agriculture Committee would:

- Shift 20% of SNAP costs to states like North Carolina based on "error rates";
- Raise the work requirement age from 54 to 64; and
- Eliminate SNAP eligibility for individuals who are not U.S. citizens or green card holders.

Q: What does that mean for our neighbors?

A: These changes would make it harder for older adults and non-citizens to access food assistance and could reduce the number of people who receive SNAP benefits.

Q: How would this affect Crisis Control Ministry?

A: As fewer people qualify for SNAP, we may see an increase in visits to our client-choice food pantries and more families needing help with basic food and nutrition support.

Q: What can I do?

A: Stay informed and speak up. Contact your representatives and let them know how these changes could impact vulnerable North Carolinians and the nonprofits working to support them. To locate your representatives' contact information, visit:

U.S. House of Representatives:

https://www.house.gov/htbin/findrep?ZIP=27101

U.S. Senate:

https://www.senate.gov/states/NC/intro.htm

N.C. General Assembly: https://www.ncleg.gov/findyourlegislators

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