

How Project 2025 and MAGA Republicans would harm healthcare workers and access to healthcare

Project 2025 calls for:

- Taking away reproductive freedoms.
 - Call on people to "gratefully celebrate the greatest pro-family win in a generation:
 overturning *Roe v. Wade*" and says "the *Dobbs* decision is just the beginning," calling on the
 federal and state governments to pursue further restrictions to reproductive care (page 6).
 - Restrict access to medication abortion by revoking the FDA approval and criminalizing mailing medication abortion (pages 562, 458-459).
 - o Prevent women from crossing state lines to get abortions (page 471).
 - Make it easier for extremists to access personal information about patients' reproductive care by removing protections the Biden administration put in place to protect personal information of patients (page 497).
 - Allow the government to monitor people's pregnancies to potentially prosecute them if they miscarry.ⁱⁱ
- Raising the retirement age, which would significantly cut Social Security benefits.
- Putting Medicare on a path to privatization and raising prescription drug prices through repealing President Biden's caps on out-of-pocket drug costs, including eliminating the \$35 monthly cap on insulin for seniors (page 465).
- Reducing access to comprehensive education for those training to be healthcare professionals.
 (page 485-486)
- Eliminating the Affordable Care Act, through a complete overhaul of the Department of Health and Human Services, leaving millions without health insurance (Chapter 14).
- Removing Medicare's ability to negotiate lower prescription drug prices for seniors (page 466).
- Adding lifetime caps to Medicaid recipients, threatening 18 million people's healthcare (page 468).
- Allowing employers to stop paying hourly workers overtime pay, impacting many nurses and healthcare professionals (pages 587, 589, 592).
- Erasing inclusive language throughout federal agencies and every law that exists, such as "sexual orientation and gender identity ('SOGI'), diversity, equity, and inclusion ('DEI'), gender, gender equality, gender equity, gender awareness, gender-sensitive, abortion, reproductive health, reproductive rights, and any other term" (pages 4-5).
- Rolling back civil rights protections, including cutting DEI-related programs and LGBTQIA+ rights in healthcare, education and workplaces (pages 72, 584, 586

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For more on Project 2025, see https://democracyforward.org/the-peoples-guide-to-project-2025and https://whatisproject2025.net/project-2025-mandate-for-leadership-pdf

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