

According to a recent Kaiser Family Foundation poll of registered voters, healthcare ranks as the **top issue of concern for Republican and Democratic voters (at 26%)** heading into the elections; and it is even higher for **independent voters (at 30%)**.

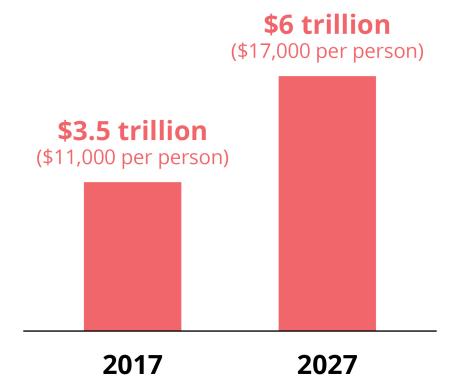




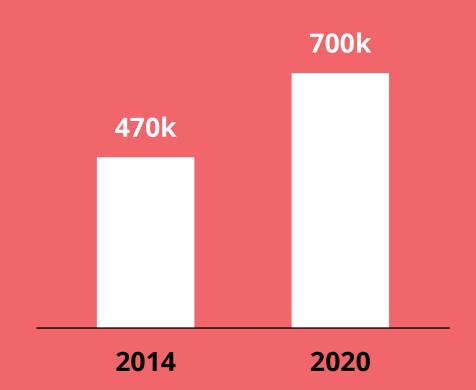




U.S. Healthcare Costs



Michigan's Medicaid Population





How the Mackinac Center Evaluates Health Care Policy Proposals

- **✓** Does it strengthen the patient/provider relationship?
- ✓ Does it encourage new options and choices?
- **✓** Does it save patients money?
- **✓** Does it increase transparency?

Access, quality, and affordability state-level solutions playbook

- Repeal certificate of need
- Repeal unnecessary licensing and scope of practice laws
- Expand telemedicine access
- Expand short-term and association health plans

How can you talk about these issues?

- ... more choices for high-quality providers—regardless of where they live.
- affordable health insurance that's right for themselves and their families.
- ... support reforms that save patients money.
- ... make it **easier for small businesses** to purchase affordable, highquality insurance for their workers.
- ... help preserve resources for the truly needy, education, public safety, and infrastructure.

