



**Dear HSRI Community,**

The recently-passed House reconciliation bill and the pending Senate bill would undermine progress made under the Affordable Care Act and jeopardize access to affordable health coverage for thousands of Rhode Islanders and millions of Americans according to analysis by national and local policy experts.

A [statement](#) signed by HealthSource RI Director Lindsay Lang and 17 other bipartisan State-Based Marketplace Directors outlining the pressing need for changes before the finalization of the legislation was submitted to the Senate. A previous [letter to the House](#) and a subsequent [letter to the Senate](#), each signed by the same group, can be viewed along with other impact summary documents on the website of the [State Marketplace Network](#), a collective supported by the National Academy for Health State Policy.

Presently, more than 45,000 Rhode Islanders rely on HealthSource RI (HSRI) for access to high quality, affordable health coverage in the individual and family market. An additional 8,600 people and 1,200 small employers depend on HSRI for small group insurance.

Some of the ways in which the provisions presently under consideration would impact customers and reduce enrollment:

- Shortens the Open Enrollment period from 3 months in Rhode Island to 45 days for all states and federal marketplace
- Ends tax credit eligibility for many legal immigrant groups
- Ends automatic renewals, requiring more paperwork each year to renew and preventing enrollment until all paperwork is processed
- Requires more documentation for enrollments


HSRI has been a driving force in helping the state achieve a remarkably low rate of just 2.2% uninsured in 2024, down from 11% in 2012. Rhode Islanders turn to HSRI

to gain high quality, affordable health coverage when they don't have the option to enroll through their job, Medicaid or another typical source of insurance.

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| JULY                   |            |
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| Wed. 7/16              | 9:30 a.m.  |
| En Español: Martes 7/8 | 11:30 a.m. |

| AUGUST     |            |
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| Thurs. 8/7 | 9:30 a.m.  |
| Wed. 8/13  | 11:30 a.m. |

| SEPTEMBER   |            |
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| Thurs. 9/18 | 9:30 a.m.  |

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## Where is Gordon?



In the spirit of community and finding some shared joy this summer, we are excited to share the Office of Library and Information Services (OLIS) sponsored statewide Summer Reading Program. This summer kids of all ages (yes- you too, adults!) can dive into books, puzzles, and games at your local library. As part of this summer program, we can all look for Gordon. *Where is Gordon* is a scavenger hunt where Gordon will be playing hide-and-seek in libraries all over the state! Pick up a passport at a participating library and start your scavenger hunt— visit 25 or more libraries to complete it. Finish the hunt, and you'll score a prize *plus* a chance to win a Gordon stuffie in the Grand Prize Raffle. The fun kicked off on June 24th, so get ready readers, Gordon can't wait to see you at the library! Find your local library and a listing of their summer events here:

- [Public Library Directory](#): Find your local library to sign up for the Summer Reading Program
- [Statewide Library Events](#): Look for events at libraries statewide. Please note that not all events are listed; to find a comprehensive list of library events, visit your local public library's website.

*P.S. Our Rhode Island libraries are also a great place to pick up an HSRI brochure. OLIS is an HSRI partner and helps us spread the word about health coverage.*

# HSRI in the Community

It's been an active few months for our team at HSRI. We have attended community events across Rhode Island – from South County to the Zoo, from Providence to Newport, from Woonsocket to Warwick. If you have an upcoming community event, send us an email ([Jordan.banick.ctr@exchange.ri.gov](mailto:Jordan.banick.ctr@exchange.ri.gov)) and our team will do our best to be there. Helping Rhode Islander's maintain health coverage is our mission and a community wide effort.



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We are grateful for your partnership, and thank you being a part of the HSRI community and our community newsletter.

Thank you again and now let's go find Gordon!





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