## **CO4UHC Comparison:** How Improved Medicare for All Compares with Pandemic Plans

If Americans had already adopted Improved Medicare for All (IM4A), everyone would be covered for all their health care without copays or deductibles.

Here's a look at how IM4A as proposed stacks up against two health care proposals to cover Americans through the Covid-19 pandemic. The Sanders/Jayapal bill offers Improved Medicare for All to everyone on a temporary basis. The other essentially bails out the health insurance companies while only helping some people.

		Pandemic Plans	
	Improved Medicare for All H.R. 1384 & S.1129	<b>Health Care Emergency Guarantee Act</b> H.R. 6906	Worker Health Coverage Protection Act H.R. 6514
Sponsors	Jayapal-Sanders	Sanders - Jayapal	Scott - Dingell
Coverage Model	Covers <b>all Americans</b> without regard to employment status	Enrolls <b>uninsured</b> in an improved temporary Medicare that covers all medically necessary care and drugs; covers <b>cost-sharing for</b> <b>the insured</b> .	Subsidizes 100% of COBRA premiums for <b>laid-off workers</b> with employer health plans and enriches private health insurers.

## **Cost-Sharing**

No premiums or deductibles

No cost-sharing for the uninsured. For those with insurance, Medicare to cover out-of-pocket costs and deductibles for the duration of pandemic.

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Preserves private workplace plans, with their limited provider networks, deductibles and copays. Yet many cannot afford to pay while unemployed, with family deductibles averaging <u>more than</u> <u>\$4700.</u>



## **Other Provisions**

Ends the disparity of coverage for all Americans, equalizes access to health care, eliminates price gouging for drugs by authorizing price negotiation, and eliminates the profit motive from health insurance coverage.

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Bans surprise billing and collection of medical debt; allows Medicare to purchase pharmaceuticals at VA prices; prohibits private insurers from increasing copays and deductibles or decreasing coverage for the duration of crisis.

vaccine is widely available.

Costs \$72 billion more per year than H.R. 6906, yet covers far fewer Americans while leaving those that are covered with all the limited benefits and restrictions of private health insurance.

Provides up to 15 months of

premium subsidies per worker.

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