



How The American Rescue Plan Helped Expand Health Insurance Access for Delaware Residents

(Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester)

Impact of American Rescue Plan's Enhanced Premium Tax Credits on Delaware

- Estimates from the Joint Economic Committee show that __Representative Lisa Blunt Rochester's vote for **the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) helped 13,000 people** in Delaware newly enroll in health insurance plans on the Affordable Care Act (ACA) marketplaces last year. ¹
- On average, the ARPA helped Americans on ACA plans save \$67 a month on health insurance premiums a total of more than \$800 per person each year.

National ACA Enrollment Numbers under President Biden

- During President Biden's first year in office, **5.8 million Americans** newly enrolled in ACA plans.
- This surge in enrollment was largely due to Democrats passing the American Rescue Plan, which significantly expanded premium tax credits that help low- and middleincome families afford health insurance.
- These enhanced premium tax credits put caps on the amount that any family will pay in premiums as a set percentage of their income, meaning that many families can get insurance for \$0 a month in premiums.

The Joint Economic Committee published an <u>issue brief</u> on the overall impacts of the enhanced premium tax credits.

¹ To create these estimates, JEC staff used publicly available state-level data from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on the number of people who <u>newly enrolled</u> in ACA plans during 2021. Each estimate was rounded to the nearest thousand.