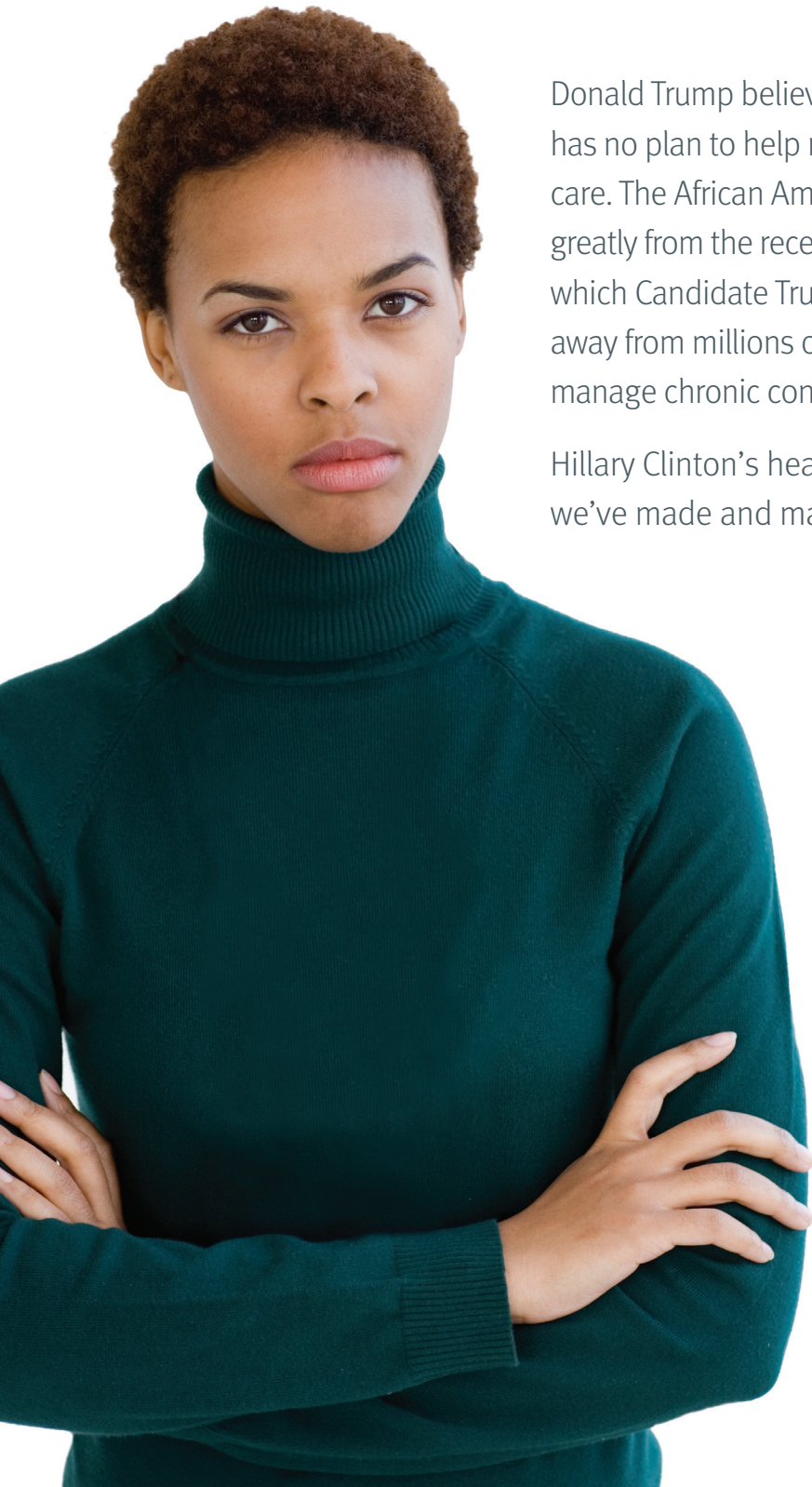


The health of millions of African Americans is at stake this fall.



Donald Trump believes health care is a privilege, not a right, and he has no plan to help millions of middle-class Americans afford health care. The African American community in particular has benefited greatly from the recent insurance reforms and new coverage options, which Candidate Trump wants to wipe out. He would strip insurance away from millions of Americans and make it harder for people to manage chronic conditions and get the health care they need.

Hillary Clinton's health care proposals will build on the gains we've made and make it easier for people to afford health care.

Candidate Trump would let insurance companies deny health coverage to millions of African Americans if they've ever been sick.

More than half of all African American adults (nearly 54%) have a pre-existing condition, like high blood pressure, arthritis, diabetes, heart disease, or asthma.¹ Insurance companies often refused to cover people with almost any medical condition—until the Affordable Care Act made it illegal. Candidate Trump would repeal the law, returning millions of African Americans to the days when insurance companies could deny them coverage because they had a health problem.

Candidate Trump would take health insurance away from millions of African Americans who have gained coverage.

Since the Affordable Care Act was passed, nearly half of the African American adults who didn't have health insurance have gained coverage. The proportion of working-age, African American adults who are uninsured has been cut from 27% to 14%,² the lowest rate ever. The share of African American children without insurance also plunged to its lowest rate—about 5%.³ Candidate Trump would reverse this progress and rip coverage away from more than 3.3 million African Americans.⁴

Candidate Trump would let insurance companies once again charge people for preventive care.

Insurance companies are now required to cover preventive care without any additional cost (like a copayment), and without having to pay a deductible. This makes it easier for people to get tests that detect conditions like diabetes, high blood pressure, and breast cancer. This is a huge win for African Americans, who are at high risk for these conditions. Candidate Trump would let insurance companies go back to charging for these life-saving tests—or even stop covering them altogether.

Candidate Trump would endanger coverage for African Americans who have Medicaid.

Today, the Medicaid program covers 11.3 million African Americans, including nearly three in five African American children (58%).⁵ Candidate Trump proposes replacing this successful program with individual grants for the states, who would have to make due with a lot less funding. This “cut and gut” proposal would mean that millions of African Americans could lose their coverage.

Candidate Clinton has a career-long legacy of making health care accessible to those who need it most. Her proposals would defend recent progress and further improve access to affordable health care for all, including African Americans.

Candidate Clinton would preserve the current consumer protections, federal programs, and financial assistance that millions of families depend on. And her proposals would make health coverage and care even more affordable and accessible.

- » **Candidate Clinton would take steps to reduce the cost of prescription drugs.** This would help families struggling with out-of-pocket health care costs and people with chronic conditions who face high prescription drug bills.
- » **Candidate Clinton would provide financial assistance to families who pay more than 5% of their income toward medical expenses.** This would help families who have health insurance but who are unable to keep up with the costs, like deductibles and copayments.
- » **Candidate Clinton would provide additional financial help to make health plans sold in the marketplace more affordable for low- and middle-income people.** This extra help is essential for the millions of people who need marketplace plans because their jobs don't offer insurance, they are self-employed, or they want to start a small business.
- » **Candidate Clinton's plan would provide new resources to community groups to sign people up for health insurance.** This could help more than 2 million uninsured African Americans enroll in health insurance.⁶

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