

The SFY 2024-2025 budget must:

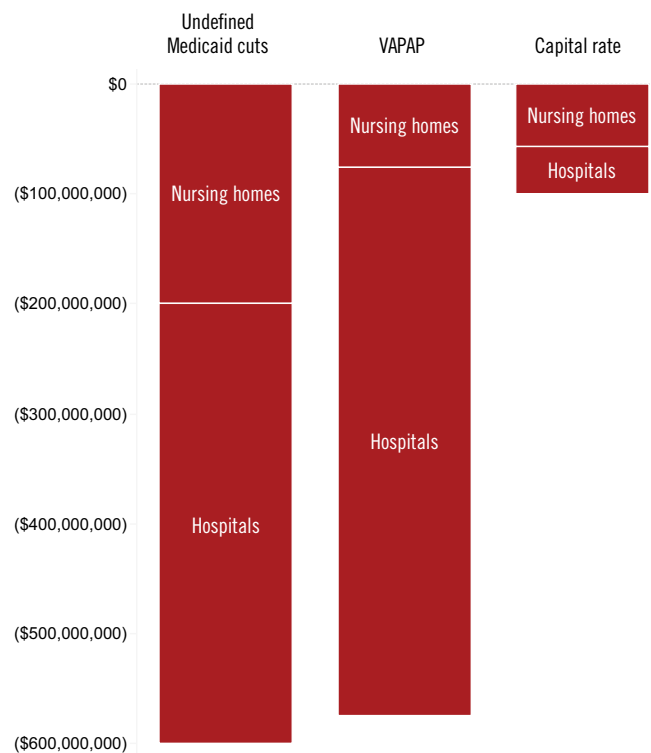
REJECT MEDICAID CUTS

Rather than address years of chronic Medicaid underpayment, the Executive budget *proposes cuts* that could result in a loss of \$1.3 billion for hospitals and nursing homes.

- Hospital and nursing home Vital Access Provider Assurance Program:** The Executive budget reduces this critical lifeline for severely financially distressed providers. (Hospitals: -\$500M, Nursing homes -\$75M)
- Hospital and nursing home capital rates:** The Executive budget cuts reimbursement that helps offset construction and infrastructure improvement costs as providers struggle to improve outdated and deteriorating facilities amid fiscal challenges. (Hospitals: -\$42.6M, Nursing homes: -\$57M)
- Undefined Medicaid cuts:** The Executive budget proposes ill-conceived and unspecified cuts for providers. These reductions lack any policy rationale as to how their proposed savings would improve New York's healthcare delivery system. (Hospitals: -\$400M, Nursing homes: -\$200M)

New York's hospitals and nursing homes simply cannot absorb any Medicaid funding reductions. **HANYS urges the Legislature to reject these cuts to ensure provider sustainability and patient access to care.**

The Executive Budget's Proposed Medicaid Cuts to Hospitals and Nursing Homes



The final SFY 2024-2025 budget must stabilize our hospitals and nursing homes.

New Yorkers depend on these healthcare providers to be there when they need them. Unrelenting fiscal and workforce pressures are threatening that expectation. We urge state policymakers to:

- 1. Take meaningful steps to close the Medicaid payment gap.**
- 2. Reject the significant proposed Medicaid cuts to hospitals and nursing homes.**
- 3. Enact policies that provide workforce and other critically needed relief at little or no cost to the state.**