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Rhode Island

Who decides your health care here, and what is on your ballot November 3.

4.6%	51,000	1.1 million	Yes
uninsured, 2024 (up from 4.5% in 2023)	people with no coverage (estimate)	population, 2024	Expanded Medicaid (1/1/2014)

On your ballot

- Governor: **Yes**
- U.S. Senate: **Yes**
- U.S. House: All seats
- State legislature: House and Senate
- Attorney General: **Yes**
- Insurance commissioner: Appointed by the governor

> The governor appoints the state medical board, the Medicaid director and, in most states, the insurance commissioner. If one person on this ballot controls your health care, it is this one.

Health measures on your ballot

Question 1 (Higher Education Facilities bond, $275 million) includes a health facility at the University of Rhode Island (health-adjacent).

Your medical board

Appointed by the governor in most states. Its national federation is drafting rules on whether you may use AI for your own health without a doctor's permission. Nobody from the public is in the room.

Seven questions to ask anyone who wants your vote

1. Should I need a doctor's permission to use an AI tool for my own health?
2. Will you publish, every year, both figures: how many people here have no coverage, and how many were seriously harmed by a wrong diagnosis, by the national definition?
3. Will you erase the medical debt hospitals will never collect, as North Carolina did, at no cost to the state?
4. Who do you appoint to the medical board, and will you name a member of the public to it?
5. Will the people in this state keep their coverage next year? How many, exactly?
6. What may a nurse, a pharmacist, or software do here without a physician's signature?
7. If I move to the next state with the same insurance card, what do I lose? What would you change so I don't?

Where to vote

Official Rhode Island election site, early voting and your polling place:
https://vote.sos.ri.gov/

Register or check: vote.gov/register/rhode-island

Ask them yourself

Governor: governor.ri.gov/contact
State legislators: vote.sos.ri.gov
U.S. House: house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative
U.S. Senate: senate.gov/senators/senators-contact.htm
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