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Medicaid Cuts ‘Blow Up’ Financing Options for Rural Hospitals.

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- Columbia Threadneedle Investments says Medicaid cuts could push rural hospital systems out of the municipal bond market, according to Shannon Rinehart, the firm’s co-head of muni investments.
- Rural hospitals depend on bond-market financing to build new facilities, upgrade existing property or buy new equipment, but investors have been getting nervous about the sector since Republicans passed their budget bill cutting about \$1 trillion from Medicaid.
- The National Rural Health Association says the legislation will limit access to care for all rural patients by ending their health-care coverage and putting financial strain on the facilities they rely on.

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