High insulin costs are **killing** Americans

At age 26, **Alec Raeshawn Smith** aged out of his parent’s insurance coverage and couldn’t afford his insulin. In June 2017, he **died from rationing his medication**.

**Shane Patrick Boyle** started a GoFundMe campaign to help him pay for insulin, but was $50 short. **He died in March 2017** after trying to ration his insulin.

**Insulin is a life-saving drug**
Insulin is a hormone that helps turn blood sugar into energy. People with diabetes take insulin because they have insulin deficiency or resistance.

**7 million Americans depend on insulin**
As many as 3 million Americans with Type 1 diabetes and 4 million with Type 2 diabetes require insulin to maintain their health.

**Insulin costs are skyrocketing**
Eli Lilly, Novo Nordisk, and Sanofi raise prices to whatever the market will bear, unrestricted by regulations or competition from generics.

**RightCareAlliance.org/insulin**

NOTE: Costs listed above are per vial of insulin.