

The Senate is planning a vote on a revised version of the Better Care Reconciliation Act next week. This week, we need to tell them that any bill that caps Medicaid and repeals the Medicaid Expansion is unacceptable. Join people with disabilities, families, and advocates around the country as we make sure our senators and governors have their phones are ringing off the hook with opposition to the Senate healthcare bill.

Call your Senators toll-free at: 866-426-2631 or call the Congressional Switchboard: 202-224-3121.

Contact your governor: <https://www.usa.gov/state-governor>

What You Can Say:

Hello, my name is [NAME].

I'm a resident of [TOWN, STATE] and my zipcode is [ZIPCODE].

As a constituent and a [person with a disability/parent of a child with a disability/supporter of people with disabilities], I oppose the Better Care Reconciliation Act.

Message 1: I oppose per capita capping Medicaid!

Medicaid provides critically needed services for people with mental illness and other disabilities, including healthcare services in the community for people with serious mental illness, employment services, services that help people stay housed, and services that help students learn in school. Medicaid matters! The Senate bill's per capita caps, which change the way that the federal government funds Medicaid-setting a cap on federal funding instead of paying states based on the actual costs of healthcare is unacceptable. Especially since this cuts Medicaid by 26% in 10 years and 35% over 20 years and uses that money to pay for tax cuts for the wealthiest Americans. I ask Senator [NAME] to oppose any bill that caps Medicaid.

Message 2: I oppose any repeal of the Medicaid Expansion, even after a delay!

The Senate bill still repeals the ACA's Medicaid expansion, which has enabled millions of adults and children with behavioral health conditions to gain health insurance, including coverage of mental health and substance use disorder services. If the expansion is repealed, those millions will lose their insurance. Combined with the cuts to Medicaid, the Congressional Budget Office estimates the BCRA will cause 15 million Americans living in poverty to lose their Medicaid coverage, including millions of people with disabilities. It doesn't matter if the Expansion is repealed next year or funding is slowly decreased over ten years, these people will still lose their health insurance. I ask Senator [NAME] to oppose any bill that repeals the Medicaid Expansion.