

The Arc of New Jersey Family Institute



For the families of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities



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Action Alert

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URGENT: Medicaid Stories Needed

Share your Medicaid Story

The Senate is set to vote next week on the Graham-Cassidy bill. It is the most dangerous of the health care proposals that have been before Congress and it is on the fast track. Like previous proposals, this bill includes the per capita caps on the Medicaid program that would end Medicaid as we know it with [a trillion dollar cut](#) over two decades, and allows states to weaken consumer insurance protections such as the ban on pre-existing condition exclusion and the essential health benefit requirement.

The Senate Finance Committee has scheduled ONE hearing on this bill for Monday, September 25, 2017. Time is critical and we must act swiftly and strongly.

Take Action Now!

The Arc of the United States will be collecting your stories to submit to the Committee and your Senators. **The time is now to take action and tell your Senators what these devastating cuts will mean to you and your family and why MEDICAID MATTERS.**

Take a few moments **before 9 AM SUNDAY EST** to tell your [Medicaid story HERE](#). The Arc of the United States will hand deliver all the printed messages to the Senate Finance Committee on Monday, and send them directly to your Senators.

Also, Monday September 25 is National Call-in Day

Call New Jersey's Senators on Monday and tell them to vote no on the Graham-Cassidy bill!

Senator Cory Booker: (973) 639-8700
and
Senator Robert Menendez: (973) 645-3030

Watch for more information on Monday about how to have an impact on the bill, including social media posts.

Thank you for everything you are doing to protect Medicaid!



Proposed Medicaid cuts would have a devastating impact on people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. If your loved one:

- lives in a group home
- has the help of a job coach
- attends a day program
- receives respite services or
- receives behavioral supports

then MEDICAID MATTERS to YOU.

Did you know that special education is hugely reliant on Medicaid and that it helps pay for therapies (such as OT and PT), equipment and specialized transportation? If your child depends on those types of supports, then MEDICAID MATTERS to YOU.

These are just a few examples of the many, many things Medicaid makes possible for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. That is why we need your help. Tell your representatives that MEDICAID MATTERS to YOU.

We're Here To Help!

We know that calling your representatives may feel overwhelming. We want to help you feel more comfortable and confident in your advocacy role. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us fap@arcnj.org.

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