



## **Sustained Action Needed Over the Recess to Protect our Health and Long Term Care**

### **SUMMARY:**

As you know, Senate Majority Leader McConnell (R-KY) postponed plans to vote on the Better Care Reconciliation Act (BCRA) this week due to a lack of support (he needs at least 50 Republican Senators). However, he plans to bring up the bill as soon as possible after Senators return from the Independence Day recess on July 10. It is unclear if McConnell will wait for a new CBO score on a revised bill or try to quickly hold a vote. The House plans to pass the Senate bill without any changes. It will then go to the President's desk. **Unless we stop it.**

Also, be aware that Senator McConnell will be trying to make deals with targeted Senators. But NO tweaks can fix this bill. It is bad to the core.

### **Take Action:**

Senators will certainly be taking the pulse of their constituents during this recess and the voices of people with disabilities, families, and doctors and other interdisciplinary health professionals need to be heard loud and clear. Engage with them during town halls, July 4th parades, barbecues, office visits, or wherever you can. If you can't visit Members directly, please help to generate calls, emails, and use social media to educate them.

1. Find events near you on <https://townhallproject.com/>
  - You can also find other actions here:
  - <https://resistancenearme.org/>
  - [ADAPT is organizing rallies in each state-](#)
  - [FamiliesUSA List of Events](#)
2. Call offices repeatedly. Dial 866-426-2631 (toll free) and ask for the office of your Senators.

**While all Senators should be contacted, here are our key targets:**

**TIER 1:** Portman (OH), Capito (WV), Moran (MO), Paul (KY), Murkowski (AK), Collins (ME), Heller (NV), Johnson (WI), Lee (UT)

**TIER 2:** Flake (AZ), McCain (AZ), Cassidy (LA), Cruz (TX), Gardner (CO), and Daines (MT).

Visit [AUCD's Action Center](#) to find out the name of your US Representative/Senators.

#### Additional Resources:

- A Comprehensive Summary of the Senate BCRA developed by AUCD staff is attached.
- [AUCD Health Hub](#) with new state impact profiles for AZ, CO, NV, and WV
- [50 State Medicaid Cap Fact sheets by NHLP](#)
- [Children's Hospital Association State Medicaid Fact Sheets](#)
- [Analysis of the Senate bill](#) by the Community Living Policy Center (Steve Kaye):
- [CCD Statement](#) on Senate bill
- [Politico article](#) on how Senate Leaders could secure votes
- [Bipartisan Solutions to Lower Premiums and Stabilize Markets](#) by Center for American Progress