



To the Members of the New York State Congressional Delegation

Our coalition of New York State providers, insurers, consumers, businesses and labor has written to you before regarding the devastating impacts of cuts to Medicaid and other healthcare programs.

As you have heard from many of us, we are deeply disappointed that the bill passed by the House contains over \$800 billion in Medicaid cuts, leading to an estimated 1.5 million New Yorkers losing their insurance and destabilizing the healthcare providers that we all depend on.

We write today on one specific provision of the bill, which disproportionately impacts New Yorkers and results in dramatic losses for our fragile rural and safety net institutions. We thank you for reaching out to your Senate colleagues to delay its implementation, preventing an immediate crisis.

We are referring to the new definition of which lawfully present immigrants are eligible for Advanced Premium Tax Credits. As you are aware, New York is one of three states with a Basic Health Plan (here called the Essential Plan), and 725,000 of its lawfully present enrollees would no longer be eligible as of January 1st, 2026, under the language passed by the House. This would lead to a loss of \$7.4 billion in subsidies to the Essential Plan, \$2.7 billion in new costs to the state to cover some of the enrollees in state-only Medicaid as required by our Constitution and at least \$1.3 billion in losses to our healthcare institutions from newly un- or under-compensated care. Because of the loss of subsidies as well as younger and healthier enrollees, it could very well destabilize the Essential Plan to the point that it is no longer viable for the remaining 825,000 working New Yorkers who depend on it for affordable health insurance.

Thank you for the steps that you have already taken to avoid these devastating outcomes for our state and its residents. We urge you to continue to reach out to your counterparts in the Senate and vigorously advocate for this change in any final legislation. Millions of New Yorkers are depending on you.

Sincerely,

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American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees New York  
Citizen Action of New York  
Citizens' Committee for Children of New York  
Civil Service Employees Association  
Coalition of New York State Public Health Plans  
Community Service Society of NY  
CP State  
CWA District 1  
Greater New York Hospital Association  
Healthcare Association of New York State (HANYS)  
Inter Agency Council of Developmental Disability Agencies, Inc.  
Iroquois Healthcare Association  
Leading Age New York  
Make the Road New York  
Medicaid Matters New York  
Medical Society of the State of New York  
Medicare Rights Center  
Metro New York Health Care for All  
New York Disability Advocates (NYDA)  
New York State AFL-CIO  
New York State Catholic Conference  
New York State Nurses Association  
New York State Public Employees Federation  
NY Health Plan Association  
Small Business Majority  
Suburban Hospital Alliance of New York State  
The Arc New York  
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