

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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Proposed Medicaid Cuts Will Impact Your Loved One's Services

Elected officials in Washington DC are pushing legislation that would make significant changes and cuts to Medicaid. If we are unable to stop these proposals, the Medicaid program as we know it could be decimated and the services people with intellectual and developmental disabilities rely on could be in jeopardy. If Congress moves forward with these deep cuts, long-term supports and services in the community could be impacted. This includes group homes, day programs and a wide-range of supports we all care about.

We need you to act now. We need to stop this plan from moving forward.

Take Action:

Call your Senators and Representatives today. Every call matters!

What to Say:

- I am a member of The Arc.
- I am a person with I/DD, or I am a family member of someone with I/DD, or I am a professional in the disability field.
- Do NOT allow Per Capita Caps on Medicaid.
- Do NOT Block Grant Medicaid.

[Click HERE to Take Action](#)

By inputting your address, this web site will identify and provide phone numbers for your

Why are Per Capita Caps and Block Grants a bad idea?

These proposals would restructure Medicaid to save the federal government money. Inevitably there will be cuts in funding in the states. What could this lead to?

- Losing home and community-based services and supports. Waiting lists would quickly grow.
- Losing other critical services such as personal care, mental health, prescription drugs, and rehabilitative services. If funds become scarcer, states may decide to stop providing these services altogether.
- Shifting the costs to individuals or family members to make up for the federal cuts. The costs of providing health care and long term services and supports will not go away, but will be shifted to individuals, parents, states, and providers.

For additional information, see The Arc's [fact sheet about Medicaid](#).

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