



Call to Save Medicaid!

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Greetings!

A huge crowd of disability, aging and civil rights organizations are rallying on Wednesday, September 21 (tomorrow) at the U.S. Capitol to show Congress that My Medicaid Matters!

The rally will highlight that:

- Medicaid provides vital home and community-based services that allow seniors and younger people with disabilities to live independently in the community.
- Medicaid provides services that support families in caring for their children who have significant disabilities.
- Medicaid provides vital jobs for direct care workers who support their families.

Arbitrary cuts to Medicaid as part of deficit reduction or the president's jobs bill could result in the loss of home and community-based services that allow people to live independently, serious reductions in medical care, and lost jobs for direct care workers. Over 50 national groups including ADAPT, the National Council on Independent Living, Families USA, the American Association of People with Disabilities, SEIU, UCP, and Easter Seals have endorsed the event. Local activists are traveling to the event from BCIL, Stavros, NILP, 1199SEIU, the National Empowerment Center, Independence Associates, ILCNSCA, and MWCIL.

You Can Help the Cause on Wednesday! While people nationwide rally and make visits on the Hill, please contact our Senators, urging them to support Medicaid and not sacrifice people's health and well being for deficit reduction.

Thank Senator John Kerry for past support of Medicaid and urge that he not accept cuts to the program as a member of the Super Committee: call him in Boston at 617-565-8519 and/or in Washington at 202-224-2742.

Ask Senator Scott Brown to support Medicaid and to object to cuts in any deficit reduction plan: call him in Boston at 617-565-3170 and/or in Washington at 202-224-4543.

Questions? Contact Bill Henning at Boston Center for Independent Living (BCIL) at bhenning@bostoncil.org or Paul Spooner at MetroWest Center for Independent Living at 508-875-7853.

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