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CAHP Urges California Congressional Delegation to Support Medicaid in Federal Budget

Sacramento, CA—The California Association of Health Plans today sent a [letter](#) to the California Congressional delegation urging them to support Medicaid in the federal budget reconciliation.

The letter asks Members to consider the foundational importance of the Medi-Cal program to California’s health care system and urges them to support the program and maintain its stability. Here are some highlights from the letter:

“Cuts to Medi-Cal could cause millions of Californians to lose access to care, destabilize rural hospitals and the state budget. As budget legislation is considered in Congress, Medicaid should be supported and strengthened, not undermined...”

“...Medi-Cal is crucial to low-income people and working families. If their Medi-Cal coverage is disrupted, they will lose access to primary care and be unable to fill prescriptions, many of which are necessary to treat chronic illnesses. Without the necessary health care, many will end up in emergency rooms. This will increase the amount of uncompensated care, increase the costs of care for everyone, and keep people from working...”

“...The Medi-Cal program is important to all Californians and its value extends to all our communities. We urge you to support the Medi-Cal Program and to oppose proposals that would destabilize it.”

Click [here](#) to read the letter.

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