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MAJOR ACTION ALERT

Phone calls and letters needed RIGHT NOW to protect health coverage.

The House Energy and Commerce Committee is expected to vote Wednesday on the Republicans' latest plan to decimate health coverage under Obamacare and Medi-Cal.

Contact California's Representatives on the Committee. Call the Capitol Switchboard at 1-202-224-3121 to be connected to a Representative named on the second page of this message, no matter where you live in the state. You can also call their individual numbers.

Tell them you OPPOSE the Republicans' plan to repeal the ACA and drastically cut federal funding for Medi-Cal.

The secret plan was flushed out of darkness the night of March 6. It's terrible because:

- it would leave millions of low-income working people without health insurance;
- low-income working families and young adults still covered would have to pay a lot more for fewer benefits because subsidies would be based on age, not income, and no longer have the "cost-sharing reduction" that helps pay copays and deductibles;
- the proposal would take so much money out of Medi-Cal under "per capita cap" funding that massive cuts in Medi-Cal eligibility and benefits would happen;
- these deep cuts to Medi-Cal would hurt women and newborns, too. Healthy pregnancies require healthy moms, before and after the pregnancy, not just during. Half of all pregnancies are covered by Medi-Cal—the lives of these women and newborns would be put in jeopardy by the proposed cuts to Medi-Cal;
- denying Medi-Cal reimbursements to Planned Parenthood for contraception and primary care services would be another major blow to women's health, which also undermines healthy pregnancies; and
- the Republican proposal fails every other test of what's important to family health. You will find the position statement of California maternal, child, and adolescent health organizations here: ACOG , CNMA, MCHA, MCH Action, MOD, NHeLP, PRH, and WCLP: <http://www.mchaccess.org/pdfs/misc/ACA%20and%20Medi-Cal%20--%20protect%20family%20health%202-8-17.docx.pdf>

Please call the Capitol Switchboard at [1-202-224-3121](tel:1-202-224-3121) to be connected to one of the following, even if you don't live in their district. We also include links to email addresses and individual phone numbers if the Switchboard is busy.

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