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Media Advisory – June 27, 2017

Healthcare Advocates to Deliver Nearly 1,000 Stories and Messages to Utah Senator Orrin Hatch Calling to Protect Medicaid and Oppose the BCRA

Salt Lake City | On Wednesday, June 28th, in response to last week's release of the Senate healthcare bill—the Better Care Reconciliation Act of 2017 (BCRA)—and this week's Congressional Budget Office report that the bill would cause 22 million Americans to lose coverage and make drastic cuts to Medicaid, Utah healthcare advocates will meet at the Wallace Bennett Federal Building to deliver nearly 1,000 stories and messages collected from people across the state who oppose the bill. These letters and messages will convey to Sen. Orrin Hatch the genuine fears of Utah families about their future access to affordable healthcare if the Senate bill becomes law.

We call on Senators Hatch and Lee to act in the best interest of the people they serve by protecting real access to healthcare and insurance coverage for Utahns. We look forward to working with our Senators to protect Medicaid and maintain a strong health care system, which offers robust protections, cost controls, improved quality, and affordable coverage to all Utahns.

Prior to delivering the documents to Sen. Hatch's Office Staff in the lobby of the Wallace Federal Building at 11:30 am, there will be a brief press conference just outside the front entrance. Several people will share their personal stories about how they and all Utahns could be impacted by the proposals in the BCRA.

Event details:

Healthcare Message Delivery Press Conference

Wednesday, June 28th

Press Conference: 11:00 am – 11:30 am (Wallace Federal Bldg., 100 S & State Street)

Message Delivery: 11:30 am (Wallace Federal Bldg., 100 S & State Street)

The event is coordinated via the Healthier Utah Coalition and Save Medicaid Utah, a collaboration of advocates, businesses, and grassroots organizations from diverse backgrounds, but with a unifying purpose: To advocate for protecting Medicaid and for preserving and strengthening access to quality affordable health care on behalf of underserved and vulnerable Utahns.

Further event details can be accessed on the Healthier Utah Coalition Facebook page [here](#) and the Save Medicaid Utah Facebook page [here](#).

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