

U.S. SENATOR BOB CASEY



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Top Line Takeaways from Graham-Cassidy – What It Does, What You Can Do

What Graham-Cassidy Does:

1. It eliminates the Medicaid program as we know it and ends the entitlement by placing a per-capita cap on the traditional Medicaid population and block granting funding for the expansion population until 2026. After 2026 there will be no funding for this population.
2. It places the Essential Health Benefits at risk and allows states to remove covered services like rehabilitative care, opioid treatment, and mental health treatment.
3. It allows insurance companies to discriminate against people with pre-existing conditions and all but guaranteeing these individuals will pay higher premiums, and potentially be priced out of the market.

These changes are unacceptable and cannot be tolerated.

States would face enormous pressure to make up for the funding gap. [It is estimated that Pennsylvania will lose \\$850 million in Medicaid support between now and 2026 and other states face similar cuts.](#)

What You Can Do:

1. Contact your Senators' offices—by phone, by e-mail, on their Facebook pages—let them know you oppose this bill.
2. Starting Tuesday evening through Sunday, Senators will be back in their states for the Rosh Hashanah holiday. If they have public events, join them and let them know you oppose the bill.
3. Visit your senators' offices back in state; and bring along a family member or a friend.
4. Write stories about what will happen if Medicaid is cut. Tell your stories - videotape them and share them on Facebook and Twitter.

Bottom line -- we need to do an all-out assault on this bill to protect Medicaid and protect the supports that make it possible for those who are aging, people with disabilities, and children with complex medical needs to live at home, with their families, or in the community.