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Representative Hensarling and Senator Murray:

The undersigned organizations and individuals are writing to express our strong support for preserving Medicaid during the negotiations to find savings in the federal budget. As you seek to meet the Budget Control Act's deficit reduction goals, please do not cut Medicaid, restructure it into a block grant, or implement a "blended" federal matching rate. These proposals would have a devastating effect on the millions of Americans who rely on Medicaid for mental health and addictions treatment – along with the providers who serve them.

Medicaid is a lifeline for millions of Americans, including the working poor, people with disabilities, and low-income children and seniors. People with mental illness and addictions rely on Medicaid for access to psychiatry, counseling, medications, residential treatment, case management, rehabilitation, and much more. Cuts to Medicaid will result in many of these Americans losing access to critical treatment. Our organizations see every day the positive impact that Medicaid makes in Americans' lives – from children with serious emotional disturbances who need Medicaid so they can see the doctor, to individuals with disabilities who are able to live in community-based settings because of the support Medicaid offers.

Medicaid also supports the nation's behavioral healthcare safety net, funding treatment services provided by clinicians and other healthcare providers. Budget cuts have already forced community behavioral health organizations to close programs, lay off staff, and reduce employee benefits. Additional federal cuts to Medicaid could mean a further loss of jobs in communities across the country. Our organizations rely on the Medicaid program to keep our doors open, keep staff employed, and keep programs running. If states are forced to cut Medicaid benefits and enrollment because of decreased federal funding, safety net providers may no longer be able to get paid for the important work that they do.

Cuts to Medicaid will also shift costs to states, which are already struggling with severe budget shortfalls in the wake of the economic recession. Enrollment in Medicaid has grown by 7.6 million people since the recession began in December 2007. When the economy recovers, many of these additional enrollees will obtain jobs with health insurance, lowering the cost of Medicaid for the federal government and states. In the meantime, cuts to Medicaid will only shift costs to other areas of the healthcare system, as people who cannot access care experience more emergency room visits, hospitalizations, and other costly adverse effects.

Please do not balance the budget on the backs of low-income children and seniors, the working poor, people with disabilities, and the healthcare providers who serve them. We urge you to reject any proposals that would fundamentally restructure Medicaid, cut funding, or strip resources from this critically important program.

Thank you for your attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

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American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry
American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy
American Association of Community Psychiatrists
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention/SPAN USA
American Nurses Association
American Occupational Therapy Association
American Probation and Parole Association
American Psychological Association
Amesbury Psychological Center, Inc
Association for Ambulatory Behavioral Healthcare
Association for the Advancement of Psychology
Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law
Clinical Social Work Guild 49- OPEIU
Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance
International Certification and Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC)
Mental Health America
NAADAC, The Association for Addiction Professionals
NAMI
National Association of Mental Health Planning & Advisory Councils
National Association of Social Workers
National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare
School Social Work Association of America

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East Central Mental Health (Troy)
Eastside Mental Health Center (Birmingham)
The Bridge, Inc. (Gadsden)
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Fairbanks Native Association (Fairbanks)

Frontier Community Services (Soldotna)

Juneau Alliance for Mental Health, Inc. (Juneau)

Juneau Youth Services (Juneau)

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Horizon Human Services (Casa Grande)

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Georgia Association of Community Service Boards (Atlanta)
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Oconee Community Service Board (Milledgeville)
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Affiliated Sante Group (Silver Spring)
Carroll County Core Service Agency (Westminster)
CHADD - Children and Adults with Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (Landover)
Charles County Freedom Landing Inc. (La Plata)
Community Behavioral Health Association of MD (Catonsville)
Crossroads Community Inc. (Centreville)
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Eastern Shore Psychological Services (Salisbury)
Hearts & Ears Inc. (Baltimore)
Mosaic Community Services (Timonium)
PDG Rehabilitation Services, Inc (Glen Burnie)
People Encouraging People, Inc. (Baltimore)
The Maryland Addictions Directors Council (Towson)
Threshold Services (Silver Spring)

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Marshall Islands

Organizations

Ebeye Community Health Center (Ebeye Kwajalein)

Massachusetts

Organizations

Advocates, Inc. (Framingham)
Association for Behavioral Healthcare - Massachusetts (Natick)
Bay Cove Human Services (North Easton)
Behavioral Health Network, Inc. (Springfield)
Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program (Boston)
Bridgewell Counseling Services (Lowell)
Brien Center (Pittsfield)
CASPAR Inc. (Cambridge)
Children's Services of Roxbury (Boston)
Community Health Care (Westfield)
Community Healthlink, UMass Memorial Health Care (Worcester)
Community Services Institute (Springfield)
Habit OPCO (Boston)
High Point Treatment Center (New Bedford)
Institute for Health and Recovery, University of Pennsylvania (Cambridge)
Lowell Community Health Center (Lowell)
Massachusetts Neuropsychological Society (Boston)
Mental Health Association of Greater Lowell, Inc. (Lowell)
NAMI Newton/Wellesley (Newton)
North Charles, Inc. (Somerville)
Northampton Neuropsychological Associates (Northampton)
Pine Street Inn (Boston)
Riverside Community Care (Dedham)

South End Community Health Center (Boston)
South Shore Mental Health (Quincy)
Spectrum Health Systems, Inc. (Worcester)
Vinfen (Cambridge)

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Michigan

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Centra Wellness Network (Manistee)
Community Living Services, Inc. (Wayne)
Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse (Centreville)
Community Mental Health for Central Michigan (Mt. Pleasant)
Community Mental Health of Ottawa County (Holland)

Community Network Services (Farmington Hills)
Easter Seals Michigan (Auburn Hills)
Gratiot County Community Mental Health (Alma)
Hamilton Community Health Network (Flint)
Harbor Hall, Inc. (Petoskey)
Hope Network New Passages (Pontiac)
Hope New Passages (Flint)
Huron Behavioral Health (Bad Axe)
Kalamazoo Community Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (Nazareth)
Lapeer County Community Mental Health (Lapeer)
LifeWays (Jackson)
Michigan Association of Community Mental Health Boards (Lansing)
Monroe Community Mental Health Authority (Monroe)
Network180 (Grand Rapids)
New Passages (Wayne)
New Passages, J-Town Clubhouse (Jackson)
Northpointe Behavioral Healthcare Systems (Kingsford)
Oakland County Community Mental Health Authority (Auburn Hills)
Riverwood Center (Benton Harbor)
Sacred Heart Rehabilitation Center (Memphis)
Saginaw County Community Mental Health Authority (Saginaw)
Sanilac County Community Mental Health (Sandusky)
Southwest Solutions (Detroit)
Spectrum Community Services (Westland)
Three Rivers Health (Three Rivers)
Tuscola Behavioral Health Systems (Caro)
Wayne County Health and Human Services (Detroit)
Wayne County Senior Citizen Services (Westland)
Woodlands Behavioral Healthcare (Cassopolis)

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Minnesota

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Family Life Mental Health Center (Coon Rapids)
Genoa Healthcare (Eagan)
Guild Incorporated (St. Paul)
Human Services Inc. (Oakdale)
Lakeland Mental Health Center (Fergus Falls)
Minnesota Association of Community Mental Health Program (St. Paul)
Minnesota State Advisory Council on Mental Health (St. Paul)
Northwestern Mental Health Center (Crookston)
People Incorporated (St. Paul)
Range Mental Health Center (Virginia)
Touchstone Mental Health (Minneapolis)
Western Mental Health Center (Marshall)

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Center of Change (Springfield)
Clark Comm Mental Health Center (Pierce City)
Community Treatment, Inc. (COMTREA) (Arnold)
Comprehensive Mental Health Services, Inc. (Independence)
Crider Health Center (Wentzville)
Lafayette House (Joplin)
Truman Medical Center (Kansas City)

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Montana

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Riverfront Mental Health Center (Hamilton)
South Central Montana Regional Mental Health Center (Billings)
Western Montana Mental Health Center (Missoula)

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Nebraska

Organizations

CenterPointe (Lincoln)
Community Mental Health Center of Lancaster County (Lincoln)
Houses Of Hope (Lincoln)
NAMI Nebraska (Omaha)
Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health Organizations (Lincoln)

Nebraska Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers (Lincoln)
NOVA Treatment Community (Omaha)
Region 3 Behavioral Health Services (Kearney)
South Central Behavioral Services (Kearney)
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Nevada

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New Hampshire

Organizations

Bridgewell Counseling (Merrimack)
Center For Life Management (Derry)
Riverbend Community Mental Health (Concord)
West Central Behavioral Health (Lebanon)

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New Jersey

Organizations

Archway Programs, Inc. (Atco)
Bergen's PROMISE (Rochelle Park)
Care Plus NJ, Inc. (Paramus)

Catholic Charities of Newark, NJ (Newark)
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COPE Center, Inc (Montclair)
Foster Family-Based Treatment Association (Hackensack)
New Jersey Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies (Mercerville)
Preferred Behavioral Health of New Jersey (Lakewood)
SERV Behavioral Health System (Ewing)
The Drenk Center (Hainesport)

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New Mexico

Organizations

Assurance Home, Inc. (Roswell)
Bordee Area Mental Health (Silver City)
Counseling Associates, Inc. (Roswell)
Families & Youth Inc. (Las Cruces)
New Mexico Providers Association (Albuquerque)
Southwest Counseling Center (Las Cruces)
Transitional Living Services, Inc. (Albuquerque)

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New York

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Aspire (Getzville)
Behavior Health Services North (Plattsburgh)
Bikur Cholim, Inc. (Monsey)

BryLin Hospital (Buffalo)
Camelot Counseling (Staten Island)
Central Nassau Guidance & Counseling Services, Inc. (Hicksville)
Central New York Services, Inc. (Syracuse)
Child and Family Services (Buffalo)
Clubhouse of Suffolk, Inc. (Manorville)
Council on Accreditation (New York)
Dale Association (Lockport)
Essex County Mental Health Services (Elizabethtown)
Fulton County Mental Health Center (Gloversville)
Guidance Center of Brooklyn (Brooklyn)
Horizon Health Services (Buffalo)
Houghton (New York)
Indian Dental Association (Roslyn)
Indian Dental Association (Woodhaven)
Institute for Community Living (Brooklyn)
Institute for Community Living, Inc. (New York)
Institute for Family Health (Bronx)
JAG Products, LLC. (Dewitt)
Lifespire (Hollis)
Long Island Family Dental Care (West Hempstead)
Mental Health Association in Niagara County (Lockport)
Mental Health Association of Nassau County (Hempstead)
Mental Health Association of New York City (New York)
NAMI in Buffalo & Erie County (Buffalo)
NAMI LAMP/SW Nassau (Merrick)
NAMI Long Island Regional Council (Old Bethpage)
NAMI of Central Suffolk (Mount Sinai)
New Directions Youth and Family Services (Lockport)
New York State Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare (Albany)
Peninsula Counseling Center (Valley Stream)
Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. (Albany)
Restoration Society, Inc. (Buffalo)
South Shore Child Guidance Center (Freeport)
Stepping Stones Continuing Day Treatment (Warsaw)
The Bridge (New York)
The Coalition of Behavioral Health Agencies, Inc. (New York)
The Dale Association, Inc. (Lockport)
Therapeutic Community Association of New York (New York)
Wyoming County Chemical Abuse Treatment Program (Warsaw)
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MTM Services (Holly Springs)
North Carolina Council of Community Programs (Raleigh)
Watauga Consulting, Inc. (Boone)

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Ohio

Organizations

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Beech Brook (Cleveland)
Center for Families and Children (Cleveland)
Coleman Professional Services (Canton)

Community Support Services, Inc. (Akron)
Consolidated Care, Inc. (West Liberty)
D&E Counseling Center (Youngstown)
Health Partners of Western Ohio (Lima)
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Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Seneca, Sandusky and Wyandot Counties (Tiffin)
New Horizons Youth and Family Center (Lancaster)
Nubian Link, Inc. (Cleveland)
Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Providers (Columbus)
Pathways, Inc. (Mentor)
Shawnee Mental Health Center, Inc. (Portsmouth)
Six County, Inc. (Zanesville)
South Community Behavioral Healthcare (Dayton)
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Columbia Community Mental Health (Saint Helens)
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Pennsylvania

Organizations

Berks Counseling Center (Reading)
Berks/Chester counseling center (Phoenixville)
Cameron/Elk Mental Health/Mental Retardation Program (Ridgway)
Case Management Unit (Harrisburg)
CenClear Child Services Inc. (Philipsburg)
Child Guidance Resource Centers (Havertown)
Children's Behavioral Health Services (Edwardsville)
Children's Service Center of Wyoming Valley (Wilkes-Barre)
Comhar Inc. (Philadelphia)
Community Counseling Center (Sharpsville)
Community Counseling Center of Mercer County (Hermitage)
Community Services Group (Lancaster)
Community Counseling Center (Hermitage)
Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries (Mechanicsburg)
Dickinson Center, Inc. (Ridgway)
Fairmount Behavioral Health Services (Philadelphia)
Horizon House (Philadelphia)
Human Services Center (New Castle)
Human Services Inc. (West Chester)
Lenape Valley Foundation (Doylestown)
Mental Health Association of Southeastern Pennsylvania (Philadelphia)
Milestone Centers, Inc. (Pittsburgh)
NAMI Southwestern Pennsylvania (Pittsburgh)
New Directions Treatment Services (Bethlehem)
NHS Human Services (Lafayette Hills)
PATH, Inc. (Philadelphia)
Pennel Mental Health Center (Pennel)
Pennsylvania Community Providers Association (Harrisburg)
Programs for Living, Education and Advocacy (Pittsburgh)
Safe Harbor Behavioral Health (Erie)
Stairways Behavioral Health (Erie)
The Philadelphia Coalition (Philadelphia)
Toyer Psychological Consulting (Harrisburg)
Turtle Creek Valley Mental Health/Mental Retardation, Inc. (Braddock)
Westmoreland Casemanagement and Supports, Inc. (Greensburg)

Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. (Harrisburg)

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Rhode Island

Organizations

Fellowship Health Resources, Inc. (Lincoln)
Gateway Healthcare, Inc. (Pawtucket)
Rhode Island Council of Community Mental Health Organizations (Cranston)
Riverwood Mental Health Services (Warren)
South Shore Center (Wakefield)
The Kent Center (Warwick)

South Carolina

Organizations

Carolina Youth Development Center (North Charleston)

Consumers, Family Members, and Concerned Individuals

Richard L. Acton (Lexington)

South Dakota

Organizations

Carroll Institute (Sioux Falls)

Northern Hills Alcohol and Drug Services (Sturgis)

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Tennessee

Organizations

Buffalo Valley (BVI) (Hohenwald)

Centerstone (Nashville)

Centerstone of Tennessee (Clarksville)

Centerstone Research Institute (Nashville)

Comprehensive Counseling Network (Memphis)

Park Center (Nashville)

Tennessee Association of Mental Health Organizations (Nashville)

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Texas

Organizations

ACCESS (Jacksonville)
Andrews Center (Tyler)
Betty Hardwick Center (Abilene)
Border Region Behavioral Health Center (Laredo)
Camino Real Community Services (Pearsall)
Center for Health Care Services (San Antonio)
CentroMed (San Antonio)
Child & Family Guidance Center of Texoma (Sherman)
Helen Farabee Centers (Wichita Falls)
Lakes Regional MHMR Center (Terrell)
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Montrose Counseling Center (Houston)
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Tropical Texas Behavioral Health (Edinburg)

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Utah

Organizations

Davis Behavioral Health (Layton)
Southwest Behavioral Health Center (St. George)

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Vermont

Organizations

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United Counseling Service (Bennington)
Vermont Council of Developmental and Mental Health Services (Montpelier)
Washington County Mental Health Services, Inc. (Montpelier)

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Virginia

Organizations

Alleghany Highlands Community Services (Covington)
Central Virginia Community Services - Child and Family Center (Lynchburg)
Chesapeake Community Services Board (Chesapeake)
Colonial Behavioral Health (Williamsburg)
Community Services Board (Saluda)
Crossroads Community Services (Farmville)
Fairfax Falls Church Community Services Board (Fairfax)

Family Preservation Services, Inc. (Abingdon)
Harrisonburg-Rockingham Community Services (Harrisonburg)
Henrico Area Mental Health & Developmental Services (Glen Allen)
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Henrico County Department of Mental Health and Developmental Services (Henrico)
Highland Community Services (Abingdon)
Highlands Center for Behavioral Health (Abingdon)
Home for Good (Richmond)
Intercept Youth Services (Richmond)
Middle Peninsula-Northern Neck Community Services Board (Saluda)
Mt. Rogers Community Services Board (Wytheville)
New River Community Service (Pearisburg)
New River Valley Community Services (Blacksburg)
Northwestern Community Services (Front Royal)
Prince William Community Service Board (Manassas)
PRS, Inc. (Vienna)
Southside Community Services Board (South Hill)
Southwest Virginia Community Health Systems, Inc. (Bristol)
Substance Abuse & Addiction Alliances (Richmond)
Substance Abuse and Addiction Recovery Alliance of Virginia (Fairfax)
The Daily Planet (Richmond)
Virginia Association of Community Services Boards (Richmond)
Western Tidewater Community Services Board (Suffolk)

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Organizations

Behavioral Health Resources (Olympia)
Children's Center (Vancouver)
Columbia River Mental Health Services (Vancouver)
Community Psychiatric Clinic (Seattle)
Community Services Northwest (Vancouver)
Cowlitz County Guidance Association (Longview)
DAD Consulting (Seattle)
Downtown Emergency Service Center (Seattle)
Frontier Behavioral Health (Spokane)

Helpline House of Bainbridge Island (Bainbridge Island)
Kitsap Mental Health Services (Bremerton)
Lifeline Connections (Vancouver)
Lutheran Community Services Northwest (Seattle)
Navos Mental Health Solutions (Seattle)
Okanogan Behavioral HealthCare (Omak)
Quality Behavioral Health (Clarkston)
Refugee Women's Alliance (Seattle)
Renton Area Youth and Family Services (Renton)
Sound Mental Health (Seattle)
The Children's Center (Vancouver)
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Washington Womens Coalition (Yakima)
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