

The CAEAR Coalition urges members and affiliates to call their Senators to vote against the Graham-Cassidy Bill. The bill eliminates Medicaid expansion, putting millions of people living with HIV and atrisk for HIV, out of care. The bill will convert Affordable Care Act funding currently used for healthcare coverage and Medicaid expansion to block grants to the states. These state block grants of federal funds will have no requirements to spend the resources on low-income individuals.

In addition, the bill eliminates employee and individual mandates, allows insurers to charge older Americans up to five times as much as younger enrollees, and states can change the standards for essential health benefits which would drive-up costs for people living with HIV.

You can reach your Senator by calling 1-202-224-3121 or www.senate.gov/senators/contact.

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The Communities Advocating Emergency AIDS Relief (CAEAR) Coalition is a national membership organization which advocates for federal policy, legislation, regulations, and appropriations to meet the care, treatment, support and prevention needs of people living with HIV/AIDS and the organizations that serve them, focusing on health care reform and the evolving role of the Ryan White Program. CAEAR Coalition's proactive national leadership is focused on the Ryan White Program as a central part of the nation's response to HIV/AIDS. CAEAR Coalition's members include Ryan White Program Part A, Part B, and Part C consumers, grantees, and providers as well as the Part F AIDS Education and Training Centers. Learn more about the CAEAR Coalition at www.caear.org.