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Dear Members of the New York Congressional Delegation:

The Healthcare Association of New York State, on behalf of our member nonprofit and public hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies and other healthcare providers, urges you to **oppose the House budget reconciliation bill**. Under the bill's healthcare provisions, **New York state would lose nearly \$13.5 billion annually**. Its catastrophic impact on New Yorkers' access to care and our state's economy cannot be ignored. **The bill will:**

CUT HEALTHCARE COVERAGE: 1.5 million New Yorkers are estimated to lose health coverage. Just looking at coverage loss from provisions passed out of the Ways and Means Committee, hospitals will lose **\$1.4 billion** annually from new uncompensated care costs and lower reimbursement levels.

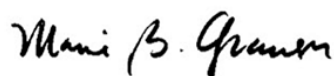
CUT PROVIDER REIMBURSEMENT: Misguided provider tax policy changes will lead to a cut of **\$1.5 billion** annually in promised Medicaid payment rate increases to providers each year, with no option to create new provider taxes. A share of the **\$2 billion** in existing state directed payments will also be impacted annually along with suppressed rates for any new SDPs.

CUT FEDERAL HEALTHCARE FUNDING TO STATES AND ADD NEW COSTS: New York state will experience a **\$7.5 billion** loss annually in federal Essential Plan funding, while having to take on **\$2.7 billion** in new Medicaid costs to cover some who meet state constitutional requirements for mandatory coverage. New York's Medicaid funding will also be cut **more than \$900 million** annually as a penalty for providing coverage to other populations required by state law. Other administrative requirements will add new costs of **about \$575 million** annually.

These New York state impacts demonstrate that the reconciliation package goes well beyond the stated intent of program integrity. With hospitals, health systems and providers across the care continuum already facing [troubling financial, workforce and payer conditions](#), this legislation will decimate healthcare infrastructure in every urban, suburban and rural community in New York state. The ripple effect on New York's economy will cost New Yorkers their health security, their jobs and the health of their local economies.

For these reasons, I **urge you to reject the House budget reconciliation bill**.

Sincerely,



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