

## Talking points on protecting the Affordable Care Act from repeal or changes

### Use these talking points to urge your Representative to #ProtectOurCare.

**ASK: Don't repeal the health law. We can't afford higher costs and cuts in coverage just to give the rich another tax break.** Additional messaging is below but it's important to keep it simple - we've got to make sure ACA repeal and changes to Medicaid are off the table.

**It's time to move on.** Congress was unable to repeal the law because the American people want to keep the law's protections and key components.

**Consumers want to keep ACA components** like: access to affordable care, Medicaid expansion, essential health benefits, protections for pre-existing conditions, and much, much more. They recognize that repeal of the health care law would increase costs, cut coverage, and stop insurance companies from covering basic services.

**The Affordable Care Act is more popular than ever. Polls show voters don't want it repealed.** They want Democrats and Republicans to work together to bring down costs, protect patients, and to make sure even more people have access to affordable coverage.

- The Kaiser Health Tracking Poll shows the ACA has the highest favorability since it began polling more than 60 tracking polls ago and Pew Research has recorded support at an all-time high.

The newly released Quinnipiac poll recorded only 1-in-5 supporting full repeal.

**The Administration has complete power to make the exchanges successful.** The Trump Administration and Congress have a responsibility to make the law work and to do everything in their power to keep the health insurance marketplaces healthy and stable. The Affordable Care Act is the law of the land and its provisions bring millions the coverage and care they need. It is the government's responsibility to make sure the law and the health care system work for people and that competition in the market is strong.

**If the Republicans break our health care system, they will be held responsible - if you break it, you own it.** [As the Wall Street Journal editorial board recently wrote,](#) "Republicans run the government and that means they are responsible for what happens in health care."

- President Trump regularly cheers for his plan to sabotage the law, but the American people will not tolerate the Administration rooting for people to suffer. The administration has an obligation to put people before politics.