



Questions to Ask Members of Congress: August Recess 2017

Advocates and constituents dedicated to protecting health care achieved a monumental victory during the end of July when the most significant attempt in Congress to repeal the Affordable Care Act failed on the Senate floor.

Congress now goes on an extended recess until September 5th, and this August recess provides a critical opportunity to 1) hold members accountable for how they voted on health care repeal and 2) urge Congress to move on from repeal and work in a bipartisan manner to improve health care.

Use these questions when attending a town hall or other event where a member of congress is present to hold members for accountable for their votes and to urge them to move on from repeal to solutions that will improve health care for their constituents.

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- 1) As your constituent, I am [very upset that you put my health care in jeopardy by voting to repeal the Affordable Care Act and cut the Medicaid program] / [am very thankful that you protected my health care by voting no on Congress' most significant attempt to repeal the Affordable Care Act and cut the Medicaid program]. I am so thankful that the repeal bill failed, and now it's time for Congress to move on from health care repeal. **Going forward, will you pledge to vote NO on any legislation that increases the number of uninsured, raises out-of-pocket health care costs for your constituents, and cuts Medicaid?**
- 2) Your constituents want Congress to move on from repeal and work on bipartisan solutions to improve health care. **Will you commit to working on bipartisan legislation to safeguard the stability of the health insurance market?**
- 3) The President has threatened that the Administration will stop making critical payments to make health care affordable for your lower-income constituents. Congress can fix this. **Will you commit to voting in favor of long-term funding for the cost-sharing reductions that make health care affordable for your lower-income constituents?**
- 4) Health care was saved for millions across America when the bill to repeal the ACA failed in the Senate at the end of July. But we are worried that Medicaid will still be under attack in upcoming Congressional debates. **Will you pledge to vote NO on any bill that cuts or undermines Medicaid?**