

CNF Speaks Out Against Proposed Medicaid Work Requirement

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On behalf of the one in five families in America with a child living with a neurologic condition, the Child Neurology Foundation (CNF) calls on the House of Representatives to reject policies included in the Limit, Save and Grow Act of 2023 that add so-called “work requirements” to the Medicaid program.

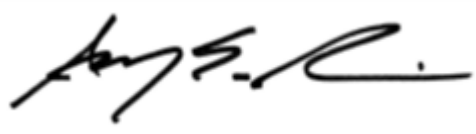
Established in 2001, CNF is a non-profit that works to support the whole child neurology community, connecting partners from all areas so children and their families living with neurologic conditions (Cerebral Palsy, Epilepsy, Autism, ADHD/ADD, Muscular Dystrophy, etc.) have ongoing support, education, and advocacy. Neurologic conditions are wide ranging with various causes, complications, and outcomes, and many requiring life-long management. Symptoms of neurologic disorders vary and may include physical, cognitive, emotional, and behavioral symptoms, with some disorders having combinations or clusters of symptoms.

Medicaid work requirements would be catastrophic for CNF’s community. From analysis of past efforts, we know Medicaid work requirements only work to disenroll individuals from coverage, and do not keep them engaged in their communities or the economy. Even if they could possibly be exempt from these requirements, our families cannot afford to get caught up in bureaucratic red tape. As things stand currently, CNF’s needs assessment found 60% of families surveyed report living in crisis on a daily basis.

As Congress works to address the debt ceiling – and considers any other legislation this year – CNF and the families and providers that we represent urge policymakers to reject policies that impede access to quality health care for children with neurological disorders and their families.

CNF pledges to work with all policymakers to advance policies that support our community. If you have any questions or wish to collaborate further, do not hesitate to reach out me at abrin@childneurologyfoundation.org.

Sincerely,



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