



**CONSORTIUM FOR CITIZENS
WITH DISABILITIES**

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The following members of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities (CCD) strongly support passage of a two-year moratorium on new restrictions in Medicaid rehabilitation and school-based services—stopping the implementation of new rules that could severely restrict access to community mental health services, day habilitation services for people with developmental disabilities, health care services for children receiving foster care, and Medicaid services provided in school settings for children with disabilities.

The CCD is a coalition of national organizations working together to advocate for national public policy that ensures the self determination, independence, empowerment, integration and inclusion of children and adults with disabilities in all aspects of society.

We are very grateful to Senators Sanders, Collins, and Casey for circulating the attached “Dear Colleague” letter on this important issue.

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing
American Association of People with Disabilities
American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
American Counseling Association
American Dance Therapy Association
American Medical Rehabilitation Providers Association
American Music Therapy Association
American Network of Community Options and Resources
American Occupational Therapy Association
American Physical Therapy Association
American Psychological Association
American Therapeutic Recreation Association
Association of Assistive Technology Act Programs
Association of University Centers on Disabilities
Autism Speaks
Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law
Children & Adults w/Attention Deficit-Hyperactivity Disorder (CHADD)
Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates
Council for Exceptional Children
Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund
Division for Early Children of the Council for Exceptional Children
Easter Seals

Epilepsy Foundation
Goodwill Industries International, Inc.
Helen Keller National Center
IDEA Infant Toddler Coordinators Association
Learning Disabilities Association of America
Mental Health America
National Alliance on Mental Illness
National Alliance to End Homelessness
National Association for the Advancement of Orthotics and Prosthetics
National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities
National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors
National Association of School Psychologists
National Association of Social Workers
National Association of State Directors of Special Education
National Association of State Head Injury Administrators
National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors
National Coalition on Deaf-Blindness
National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare
National Disability Rights Network
National Down Syndrome Congress
National Down Syndrome Society
National Multiple Sclerosis Society
National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives
National Rehabilitation Association
National Respite Coalition
NISH
Paralyzed Veterans of America
TASH
The Arc of the United States
United Cerebral Palsy
United Spinal Association
World Institute on Disability