Do you or a loved one benefit from Medicaid, Medicare, Social Security, SSI, SSDI, or the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare)?

These "lifeline" programs are critical to supporting millions of Americans with disabilities to access healthcare, support services and community living.

Lifeline programs are under attack.

Every voice **must** be heard to educate the public and elected officials about the importance of preserving these vital programs.

We need your help to "Protect the Lifeline"!

Go to bit.ly/protectthelifeline now!







The Arc of New Jersey is the state's leading non-profit organization supporting and serving children

and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.

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How would people with developmental disabilities be affected if we don't "Protect the Lifeline"?

Repeal of The Affordable Care Act-ACA (Obamacare)

- Repeal of the ACA without an equivalent replacement puts people at risk.
- People with disabilities could face annual and lifetime caps on health coverage and could be excluded from coverage based on pre-existing conditions.
- Health insurers could charge people with disabilities and health conditions significantly more for health insurance coverage.

If Medicaid Converts to Block Grants

- If Medicaid is block granted, States could reduce eligibility, limit services and supports and cut reimbursement to providers.
- Waiting lists for services would grow and people currently receiving services could face cuts in benefits.
- It would not allow for adjustments due to changes in health care, drug costs, aging of the population, or emergencies.

Cuts to SSI Benefits or Eligibility

- For 3 out of 5 beneficiaries, losing SSI means losing their only means of income.
- Losing SSI could mean families losing help to pay for some of the extraordinary costs
 of raising a young adult with a disability, such as special therapies and adaptive
 equipment.

Thank you for helping us Protect the Lifeline. Together we CAN make a difference!