Dear Disability Community, Friends and Allies:

The Federal Budget Reconciliation process is underway in Congress. At this time the budget is expected to include massive cuts to disability programs including:

* Medicaid (HUSKY health care, services for people with disabilities and older adults, mental health, personal assistance services)
* SNAP (Food Stamps)
* TANF Cash Assistance
* TITLE V HealthCare for Children with Special HealthCare Needs
* Independent Living Services
* SAMHSA Mental Health Programs
* Social Services Block Grant including mental health, case management, transitional living services
* Council on Developmental Disabilities
* UCEDD/LEND program
* Disability Rights Connecticut
* Parent Training and Information Centers (CPAC)

All of these programs support the health and well-being of persons with disabilities, vulnerable children and their families, older adults and their family and kinship caregivers.

A coalition of disability organizations, providers and individuals with disabilities and family members is hosting a one hour call at **10 AM on Wednesday May 7** to discuss the impact of all these cuts. Invited attendees include our Congressional delegation and Senators, State elected officials, representatives and senators as well as state agency officials. In addition to an overview of the impact of these cuts on our various services, stories from some providers and recipients of services will be shared. This is intended to be an informational session to present the potential impact of these cuts and begin to mobilize as a large disability coalition to address these issues.

**CALL TO ACTION!**

**WE NEED YOU TO JOIN US!**

1. **Join Zoom CALL TO ACTION!** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84151778338**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84151778338)

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1. **Invite and bring colleagues, family members, friends, co-workers, neighbors**
2. **Share this invitation far and wide!**

**We need a large representation among**

**ALL our disability groups.**

**Together we WILL have an impact!**