



**34 Patient Groups: Preservation of protections is an important win — but critical work remains**

**WASHINGTON, D.C – June 17, 2021 –** *34 patient organizations representing millions of people living with serious and chronic health conditions issued the following statement regarding the Supreme Court’s ruling upholding the Affordable Care Act:*

“Patients across the country are finally breathing a sigh of relief. For years, they’ve faced uncertainty about the future of the landmark law that’s enabled millions of people with pre-existing conditions to obtain comprehensive, more affordable health coverage that would have otherwise been out of reach. Patients now know with certainty: the critical protections they rely upon are here to stay.

Today’s ruling, however, does not mean our work is over. While recent enhancements to the Affordable Care Act (ACA) including temporary expanded premium subsidies and increased navigator funding represent tremendous strides forward for patients, we believe lawmakers and the Administration must commit to doing even more to ensure our country’s health. That task is particularly vital now, as COVID-19 has infected more than 33 million Americans and disrupted the healthcare of countless others.

We remain committed to building upon the ACA’s success and look forward to working with lawmakers and the Administration to make health coverage more affordable and equitably accessible; expand and protect Medicaid; and promote access to high-quality insurance now and for generations to come.”

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The AIDS Institute  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society  
Epilepsy Foundation  
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
Susan G. Komen  
American Kidney Fund  
Arthritis Foundation  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation  
American Lung Association  
CancerCare  
WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease  
ALS Association  
Hemophilia Federation of America  
National Psoriasis Foundation  
Family Voices  
National Eczema Association  
National Hemophilia Foundation  
National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship  
National Patient Advocate Foundation  
Cancer Support Community  
Immune Deficiency Foundation  
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America  
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
National Organization for Rare Disorders  
American Diabetes Association  
National Alliance on Mental Illness  
United Way Worldwide  
National Kidney Foundation  
National Health Council  
American Heart Association  
March of Dimes  
American Liver Foundation