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**NATIONWIDE “SAVE MY CARE” BUS TOUR LAUNCHES TO FIGHT BACK AGAINST  
REPUBLICANS’ RUSH TO TAKE HEALTH CARE AWAY FROM 30 MILLION AMERICANS  
BUS WILL TRAVEL TO 20 STATES TO CALL ON CONGRESS TO PROTECT AMERICANS’  
ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE QUALITY HEALTH CARE**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, a coalition of health care and advocacy groups launched the Save My Care Bus Tour, a two-month, cross-country tour to stand against Congressional Republicans’ rushed plan to take health care away from 30 million Americans.

The tour will travel from coast to coast, stopping in cities and towns to tell the stories of the millions of Americans who will be hurt by Congress’ haphazard plan to repeal health care reform—and highlight the critical need to protect access to quality, affordable health care.

“The Save My Care bus tour will remind Congressional Republicans that access to health coverage is a life and death issue, not a political football. Millions of their constituents rely on the Affordable Care Act for the care they need to stay healthy and to protect them from financial ruin,” said Leslie Dach, Campaign Manager for Protect Our Care. “Through social media and on-the-ground events, this bus tour will lift up the voices of Americans who are fighting to defend access to affordable, quality health care.”

“I’m joining doctors across America to fight back against the rush to repeal the health care that so many people need,” said Dr. Alice Chen, Executive Director of Doctors for America. “In every state, doctors are taking care of working Americans across the political spectrum who are finally getting preventive care to stay healthy and getting treated for cancer, opioid addiction, diabetes, and asthma. Doctors are calling on Congress to put the health of the nation over partisan politics—not to pull the rug out from under our patients and take health insurance away from their constituents.”

“If extreme right-wing Republicans get their way, tens of millions of working Americans will have to choose between paying for their children’s inhalers, and paying their heating bills,” said Debra Friedland, a nurse at St. John’s Hospital in the Rockaways, New York and an 1199SEIU member. “This isn’t about politics, it’s about people’s lives. And I think most people agree on this point: every American needs access to real, affordable healthcare.”

“When I was 28, I got cancer and had to have surgery just a few days later. The Affordable Care Act allowed me to stay alive, get the treatment I needed and not go broke,” said health care advocate and Nashville, Tennessee resident Logan Buerlein. “Now, Republicans in Congress want to take away the care that saved my life. It’s wrong for Bob Corker and Lamar Alexander, my home state senators, to repeal health care reform without a replacement and eliminate care for millions of people. Everybody deserves access to affordable health care—no matter who you are or what your circumstances are.”





The bus tour will launch on Tuesday at a rally in Washington, D.C. with health care groups, patients, doctors and elected officials. Over the next two months, the bus will travel across the country, holding events that tell the stories of the millions of Americans who will suffer from Congressional Republicans' efforts to repeal health care reform and give more power to big insurance companies.

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