**SOCIAL MEDIA TOOLKIT re:
Medicaid Reentry Act**

**WHO TO TAG:**

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| **NAME** | **TWITTER HANDLE** |
| Majority Leader Schumer | @SenSchumer |
| Speaker Pelosi | @SpeakerPelosi  |
| Minority Leader McConnell | @LeaderMcConnell |
| Representative McCarthy | @GOPLeader |
| Senator Wyden | @RonWyden |
| Representative Pallone | @FrankPallone |

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| **ORIGINAL SPONSORS OF THE MEDICAID REENTRY ACT**  |  |
| Representative Tonko | @RepPaulTonko |
| Senator Baldwin | @SenatorBaldwin |
| Representative Turner | @RepMikeTurner |
| Senator Braun | @SenatorBraun  |
| Representative Trone | @DavidJTrone |
| Senator Whitehouse | @SenWhitehouse |
| Representative McKinley | @RepMcKinley |
| Senator Brown | @SenSherrodBrown |
| Representative Underwood | @RepUnderwood |
| Representative Fitzpatrick | @RepBrianFitz |
| Representative Hastings | @RepHastingsFL |

**HASHTAGS TO USE:**#Medicaid

#Reentry

#MedicaidReentryAct
#COVID19

#publichealth

#pandemic

#overdoseprevention

#suicideprevention

**SAMPLE TWEETS:**

* Many thanks to @RepPaulTonko, @SenatorBaldwin, @RepMikeTurner, and @SenatorBraun for your leadership in sponsoring the #MedicaidReentryAct. Thank you for working during this #COVID19 #pandemic to help people facing #reentry and their communities to become healthier.
* ORG NAME stands w/ 100+ orgs across US in urging Congress to include #MedicaidReentryAct in the #COVID19 relief bill! This bipartisan legislation would increase access to essential health care for people in #reentry, now more important than ever!
* Congress must pass #MedicaidReentryAct in the #COVID19 relief bill to support health care for individuals 30 days prior to release from incarceration, ensuring more coordinated behavioral & other health care for people reentering our shared communities. More critical than ever right now during the pandemic!
* As we face escalating health crises, counties, cities, and states need #MedicaidReentryAct as critical part of #COVID19 relief and #suicideprevention and #overdoseprevention.
* 100,000+ people in carceral settings nationwide have gotten #COVID19 & also need behavioral health care. We need the #MedicaidReentryAct to ensure people can access health care BEFORE reentering communities, key to keeping communities healthy, #overdoseprevention & #suicideprevention.
* #COVID19 crisis has underscored close relationship b/w health of people in prisons & jails & health of families & communities. #MedicaidReentryAct can help!
* #Publichealth experts agree #COVID19 clusters (ie: in jails/prisons) place communities at greater risk for higher rates of transmission & death. Need #MedicaidReentryAct to ensure individuals cycling in & out of incarceration can access health care PRIOR to reentering communities.
* ORG NAME & 100+ orgs nationwide call on Congress to include #MedicaidReentryAct in the #COVID19 relief package to allow #Medicaid coverage prior to release for incarcerated people. Would help reduce burden on ERs & other medical expenses connected to needs of individuals in #reentry.
* It's common sense: as we face a #pandemic of infectious disease, the #MedicaidReentryAct would not only improve the health of reentering individuals but would also protect the health of communities at large!
* Due to systemic racism, POC are disproportionately incarcerated, face disparities in health care coverage & access, & experience poorer health outcomes, incl higher #COVID19 rates. #MedicaidReentryAct can help promote racial justice & equity in access to health care.
* Congress must pass #MedicaidReentryAct to strengthen people’s access to health care upon #reentry & foster racial justice & equity by improving POC's health outcomes & reducing rates of re-involvement w/ the criminal legal system.
* #MedicaidReentryAct can help address the co-occurring crises of #COVID19, overdose & suicide by connecting people reentering the community from incarceration w/ critical health care!
* As people transition from incarceration to the community, the #MedicaidReentryAct would reduce care disruptions & provide a warm handoff to vital community-based physical, mental health & substance use disorder services, medications, & supports.
* As Congress crafts legislation to respond to #COVID19 crisis, passage of the #MedicaidReentryAct is a crucial step to improving the health of individuals reentering the community from incarceration & promoting the community’s public health & safety.