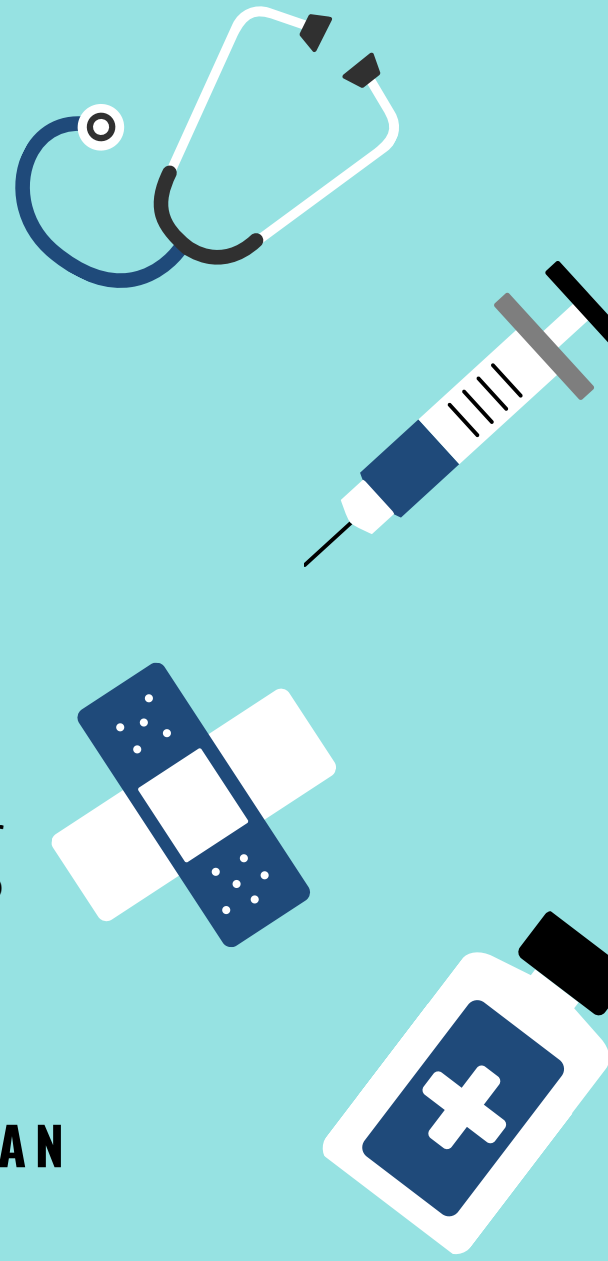# CONCURRENT CARE FOR CHILDREN & THE SUPREME COURT

The Make-a-Plan Campaign encourages you to prepare if ACA, Section 2302 is struck down by the US Supreme Court.

Medicaid Offices in your state will be reacting to many changes if ACA is dissolved. Make a plan to connect with your state Medicaid Office and offer solutions to ensure the least disruption in services for kids.
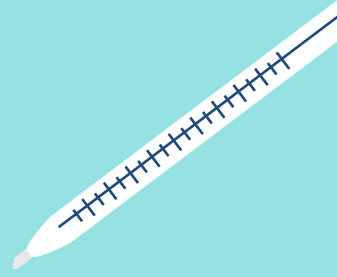
OPTIONS FOR YOUR MAKE-A-PLAN

1 PRIVATE INSURANCE

Call private insurance payers and ask if they will cover concurrent care. Private insurance is increasingly covering pediatric concurrent care. If your patient is covered by private insurance, a call to the provider to ask if they will cover is an easy step. For those children on Medicaid or CHIP only, a conversation might occur with the parents about adding children to a private insurance plan. Many businesses have Benefits Open Enrollment during this time and now might be an opportunity for families to add the child to their plan.

2 OPEN ACCESS HOSPICE

Identify the hospices in your community that provide open access hospice, which mirrors concurrent care, might be an option for these children if they are enrolled in the hospice or could transfer to this hospice.

3 GRANT/PHILANTHROPY

Check on whether there are temporary financial resources at your organization to cover the gap in service that would occur if there is no concurrent care.

4 MEDICAID EPSDT

Explore Medicaid EPSDT. Work with your state Medicaid Office to add concurrent care as a designated EPSDT service for children.

5 LEGISLATION

Legislate pediatric concurrent care. A long-term option is to legislate concurrent care through a state-level bill. Some states allow for legislative changes to their Medicaid program. A conversation with your state hospice association legislative representative might provide guidance on your specific state options.

Engage your state stakeholders including hospices, children's hospitals, pediatric coalitions/consortiums, hospice/palliative care associations, local legislators, parent groups in your Make-a-Plan