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Dear Adult Day Health Care Provider and Colleague:

In keeping with the President's promise to "repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA)," Congress and the Administration continue to discuss **block grants** for Medicaid to provide states with a fixed amount of federal funding on a per person basis. ***This policy will shrink the Medi-Cal funding pie, increase competition for limited dollars, and place CBAS funding -- which is a combination of federal and state funds -- at risk again. While the initial vote to repeal and replace was not held, we must remain vigilant.***

To respond to this very real threat, we need an ever stronger policy and advocacy presence in both Washington and in California. **We need a unified, formidable voice to stand against actions that could destroy our programs and hurt our participants. We cannot allow our industry to be threatened with elimination ever again.**

It is time once again to act to protect the future of our industry and the lives of our participants.

To accomplish this urgent task, my organization, Family Bridges, has donated \$8,000 to the CAADS' 2017 Advocacy Fund. **My goal as President of CAADS is to lead the way to raise \$100,000 by May 30, 2017** for direct advocacy to combat these specific threats:

- **The reduction of federal share of Medi-Cal funds**
- **The reduction of CBAS rates, or elimination of the benefit, putting our programs and participants at risk yet again.**

We cannot wait until something catastrophic has happened. We all remember when the unthinkable happened in 2011 -- the elimination of ADHC as a Medi-Cal benefit. In the face of this dramatic event, CAADS mobilized formidable opposition, serving as a virtual 'crisis line' for more than 37,000 participants their families and centers across the state. This tremendous effort, in addition to the work of public interest law groups who filed a federal lawsuit under the Olmstead decision, saved Adult Day Health Care in California and led to the creation of CBAS.

Please join me in pledging to stand strong and fight for our participants and programs once again. Your contribution will maximize CAADS' ability to work within California and nationally to protect the lives of our participants and their families. A pledge form is attached. Thank you in advance for your support.

Best wishes,

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