



ADVOCATES FOR
COMMUNITY
HEALTH

Urgent Action: Federal Grant Funding Pause *Advocacy Script - January 2025*

Please take 10 minutes to provide support for Community Health Centers

Please share with your elected officials how the latest pause in federal funding impacts health centers' ability to serve their patients.

Reach out to your Senator or Representative:

- To contact your Senator or Representative's office, call the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at 202-224-3121 and ask for your Senator or Representative's office, or find Representatives' direct office lines [here](#) and Senators' direct office lines [here](#).
- *Our team recommends both a phone call and an email to amplify your message.*
- If you have any questions or need help finding contact information for your member of Congress, please contact Stephanie Krenrich, ACH's SVP of Policy and Government Affairs, at skrenrich@advocatesforcommunityhealth.org.

Script: For Phone Call and/ or Email

Good [morning/afternoon], my name is [name] and I am a [job title] at [health center], a community health center in [city / state].

I, along with [health center name]'s [number of patients] patients, am a constituent of [Senator/ Representative][name].

I am reaching out to share with [Senator / Representative] [name] how the current pause in federal grant funding is impacting my health center and our ability to serve our patients. **[Share your health centers' story about the impact of this federal grant funding freeze].**

I would like [Senator / Representative] [name] to work with members of congress and the administration to lift this funding pause as soon as possible.

Our health center serves [number] patients in [name of location,] [name of location,] and [name of location.] Additionally, [Health Center Name] employs [number] of health care professionals and other employees in the [region - county or district]. A pause in federal funding access affects the livelihoods of [hundreds / thousands of] employees in Senator/Representative [name]'s constituency.

Thank you for working to lift this pause as soon as possible, and for ensuring that [location name]'s community members retain access to health care.