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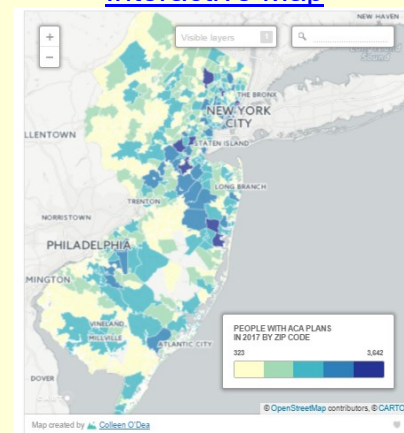
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### Key Concerns About the American Health Care Act (AHCA)

The Mental Health Association in New Jersey (MHANJ) has been closely tracking the American Health Care Act (AHCA), and the impact it will have on our most vulnerable citizens. The AHCA, promoted to "repeal and replace" the Affordable Care Act (ACA), does neither, but instead strips the ACA of some of its most valuable components.

[Link to rest of article](#)

#### [ACA in New Jersey Interactive Map](#)



\*NJSpotlight, May 17, 2017



### Mental Health America's Statement on the Passage of the American Health Care Act in Congress

*By: Paul Gionfriddo, MHA President and CEO*

"At Mental Health America, we are deeply disappointed in the result of today's vote on the American Health Care Act (AHCA). Today, the sunny, flamboyant promises of better health care at a lower cost during a political campaign gave way to the cold, dark realities of politics in America.

[Link to rest of article](#)

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## Concerned? Take ACTION!



While the House has passed the AHCA bill, it is now being scored and there is talk about the possible need for a revote. Also, the Senate is creating their own version of the bill.

There is still time to contact your Federal legislators and let them know how you feel about the AHCA, and how it will negatively impact your life if implemented.

Here's what *you* can do:

1. Thank your Congressional Representatives that Voted AGAINST the AHCA.

- For a list of Congressional Representatives in New Jersey, by District and Vote, [click here](#).
- [Click here](#) for suggestions about what to say!

2. If you live in a District where your Representative Voted YES to the AHCA, contact them and tell them your concerns.

- [Click here](#) for suggestions about what to say!

3. For information on how to contact New Jersey's State Senators to Thank them for their fierce opposition to the AHCA, [click here](#).

- [Click here](#) for suggestions about what to say!

4. VOTE! Voting is one of the best ways to ensure your voice is heard, and those that uphold the beliefs and values that most align with yours are elected.

- Not sure if you are registered to Vote? [Click here](#) to find out.
- Registered to Vote, but unsure where to go? [Click here](#) to find out.
- Not Registered to Vote? [Click here](#) for the New Jersey State Voter Registration Form. For other Voter registration information [click here](#).

**\*Important Note:** The Deadline to Register to Vote is 21 days prior to an Election.

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***Please join us for a night of inspiration, enlightenment and education that will highlight pathways toward recovery.***

***When?***

Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at 6:00 PM

***Where?***

Grand Summit Hotel  
570 Springfield Avenue  
Summit, NJ 07901

[Click Here for More Information and to Register!](#)

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