



Residential Eating
Disorders Consortium

REDC Sample Script to a Federal Elected Official

This script can be used when calling your Senator or Representative to voice your support for stabilization of the Affordable Care Act

Hello. My name is *(insert)* and I am calling on behalf of *(insert your organization, yourself, your family member, etc.)*. I am also calling on behalf of REDC, the Residential Eating Disorders Consortium, a trade organization formed in December of 2011. I have a personal/professional connection to eating disorders as *(insert 2 sentences maximum that applies)*.

I want *(insert official's name)* to know that stabilization of the Affordable Care Act is imperative. With the ACA we have seen more people seeking and receiving treatment for eating disorders and co-occurring substance use disorder. However, we recognize that the current ACA structure isn't working. Many of our patients pay very high premiums, high deductibles, and have limited provider networks and we're concerned that 2019 rates will continue to increase.

While we understand there are a lot of politics involved, the ACA market needs to be stabilized at least for 2019 so our patients can receive the life-saving treatment.

Thank you for your time.