



## 2023-2024 Health/Medicaid Budget A Consumer Checklist

It is time once again for the Medicaid Matters Budget Checklist! We urge the Governor and Legislature to use this tool as a guide to support and protect the interests of people who are served by Medicaid and the safety-net providers that serve them as a final budget is negotiated.

### Can you check them all?



Create an independent advocacy assistance ombuds program for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities, including the legislative language to codify the program in law (S.3108/A.1577, in the Senate one-house).	
Expand Essential Plan eligibility and include all income-eligible immigrants. #Coverage4All! (S.2237/A.3020)	
Promote access to community-based long-term services and supports by increasing wages for the home care workforce. #FairPay4HomeCare! #CDPAisEssential! (S.3189)	
Repeal restrictions to access to home care based on the number of activities of daily living (ADL) assistance is needed for. (S.328)	
Redistribute funds cut from the Indigent Care Pool to hospitals that meet the statutory definition of “enhanced safety-net hospital.”	
Fully fund the Community Health Advocates program.	
Ensure community health centers and other community-based safety net providers have adequate, secure funding to replace the loss of 340B savings.	
Protect access to prescription drugs by keeping “prescriber prevails” intact.	

Thank you, Assembly and Senate, for taking bold actions in your one-house bills to protect Medicaid and the people it serves. Remember the New Yorkers who rely on Medicaid as you deliberate over the final budget!