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**ALAMEDA ALLIANCE FOR HEALTH STATEMENT ON THE PASSAGE OF THE FEDERAL
RECONCILIATION BILL**

The reconciliation bill that will soon be passed into law will have devastating impacts to vulnerable communities in Alameda County and across the country.

Alameda, CA – Alameda Alliance for Health (the Alliance) is the local health plan that provides comprehensive health care services to over 410,000 Alameda County residents and serves more than 1 of 4 county residents who are enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care, and other underserved populations.

Earlier today, the United States House of Representatives voted to advance the budget reconciliation bill that cuts \$1 trillion in health care funding (and nearly \$800 billion to the Medicaid program) and will put at risk the well-being of the nearly 500,000 Alameda County residents and 14 million Californians who depend on Medi-Cal services.

Medi-Cal delivers critical health care services that transform lives and strengthen communities both locally and nationally. In Alameda County, 28% of Medi-Cal enrollees are children, and more than a quarter of births are covered by Medi-Cal. The passage of this bill will not only impact vulnerable individuals that rely on this critical safety net program but will have devastating effects on the health care systems that serve them.

“As we begin to grapple with the reality that many individuals in our community will lose access to lifesaving services because of the cuts on this federal bill, we remain committed to working with our provider partners, community advocates and health care leaders to protect and fight for health care access for those who need it most,” said CEO Matthew Woodruff. “The Alliance’s mission endures – working with our community and provider partners to improve the health and well-being of our members and community by delivering high quality and accessible services.”

To learn more about the Alliance, visit us at www.alamedaalliance.org.

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About Alameda Alliance for Health

Alameda Alliance for Health (the Alliance) is a local, public, not-for-profit managed care health plan committed to making high quality health care services accessible and affordable to Alameda County residents. Established in 1996, the Alliance was created by and for Alameda County residents. The Alliance Board of Governors, leadership staff, and provider network reflect the county's cultural and linguistic diversity. The Alliance provides health care coverage to over 410,000 low-income children and adults through the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) accredited Medi-Cal and Alliance Group Care programs.