CCD Fiscal Policy Task Force Statement on Final Passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act

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Washington, DC, December 20, 2017 – The Fiscal Policy Task Force of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities, the nation’s largest national organization representing over 56 million individuals with disabilities, is deeply disappointed by the House and Senate passage of the conference agreement on the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.

This legislation will result in 13 million fewer Americans with health insurance and will cut Federal revenue to such an extent that it will likely lead to huge cuts in Medicaid, Medicare and other programs people with disabilities rely on to live independently in the community.

“The President and Congressional leaders have said they would protect Medicare, Medicaid, and Social Security when they were campaigning for office. We will hold them accountable for those statements,” said Kim Musheno, Chair of the Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities. “The public will soon have time to fully understand the impact of this legislation that has been rushed through Congress and whether its many promised benefits ever materialize.”

The Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities is the nation’s largest coalition of national organizations working together to advocate for national public policy that ensures the education, self-determination, independence, empowerment, integration and inclusion of children and adults with disabilities in all aspects of society. For more information, visit www.c-c-d.org.