Ranking Member Cassidy Continues Push to Reauthorize Expired SUPPORT Act Amid Calls from 300+ Groups to Take Action

WASHINGTON – Today, U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy, M.D. (R-LA), ranking member of the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions (HELP) Committee, released a statement bringing attention to the over 300 substance-abuse prevention and treatment, mental health and other policy organizations that have called on the HELP Committee to take up and reauthorize the SUPPORT Act. This legislation funds important programs that bolster prevention, treatment, and recovery services for Americans with substance use disorders. The SUPPORT Act expired on September 30th.

"Thousands of Americans are dying each month from opioid and drug overdoses. The HELP committee needs to hold a markup to reauthorize the SUPPORT Act so we can evaluate, improve and fund these life-saving programs. Missing these deadlines puts vital resources in jeopardy," said Dr. Cassidy. "I appreciate the support from the advocates expressing the urgency of this problem. Even if there are some differences in opinion on specific policies to include, we all agree the HELP Committee needs to get the SUPPORT Act reauthorization done."

Since the beginning of the 118th Congress, Cassidy has <u>stressed the importance</u> of the Senate HELP Committee fulfilling its responsibility to take up and reauthorize expiring public health programs. Due to lack of action, Cassidy <u>introduced</u> legislation to reauthorize the SUPPORT Act in July.

Organizations calling on the HELP Committee to reauthorize the SUPPORT Act include:

A New PATH

Academy of General Dentistry

Acenda Integrated Health

Addiction Care of Excellence

AIDS Foundation Chicago

Alabama Society of Addiction Medicine

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American Academy of Pediatrics

American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy

American Association of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry

American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology

American Association on Health and Disability

American College of Clinical Pharmacy

American College of Emergency Physicians

American College of Medical Toxicology

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

American Mental Health Counselors Association

American Nurses Association

American Occupational Therapy Association

American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine

American Psychiatric Association

American Psychological Association

American Psychological Association Services

American Society of Addiction Medicine American Therapeutic Recreation Association AMERSA, Inc. Anonymity VA Anxiety and Depression Association of America Any Positive Change Inc. ART Of Coaching, Inc. Appleseed Community Mental Health Center, Inc. Asana Recovery Association for Behavioral Health and Wellness Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs Association of Persons Affected by Addiction Astron Legal Nurse Consulting Beacon of Hope Champions Ministries, LLC Begin Anew Recovery Behavioral Health Foundation BHABrehab.com Behavioral Health Network Bicycle Health Big Blue Eye Consulting, LLC Big Cities Health Coalition Boston Medical Center Boulder Care BPC Action Braeburn, Inc. Broken No More Care Plus NJ CaringWorks, Inc. Catholic Charities Center for Addiction Treatment Center for Housing & Health Center Point, Inc. Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) CenterPointe Central City Concern Central Minnesota Mental Health Center Central Plains Center Children's Hospital Association CleanSlate Outpatient Addiction Medicine

Clinical Consultants of Boston

Clinical Social Work Association

Colorado Hospital Association Colorado Society of Addiction Medicine CommuniCare, Inc. Community Catalyst Community Counseling Center Community Counseling Center of Mercer County Community Health Action of Staten Island Community in Crisis Community Reach Center Community Recovery Alliance Conifer Park and Liberty Behavioral Management Group Connecticut Community Nonprofit Ailiance Connections Health Solutions COPE Network Cornerstone Montgomery Cornerstone Southern Maryland CRS Recovery Crisis and Counseling Centers, Inc. Crisis Text Line DePaul Community Services Detroit Recovery Project Door to Serenity Drug & Alcohol Service Providers Organization of Pennsylvania Edwin C. Chapman MD PC Elevant Health Elizabeth Rose Olsen Foundation Inc. Emergency Nurses Association **ENVIVE Solutions** Esther Residence, Inc. Even Keel Health & Adolescent Health Center Family and Children's Association (FCA) Flagler Open Arms Recovery Services Flint Odyssey House, Inc. Footprints, Inc. Foundation for Drug Policy Solutions FourLifers Incorporated Franklin County House of Corrections Fresno New Connections, Inc. Gateway Foundation, Inc.

Collaborative Family Healthcare Association

Georgia Mental Health Consumer Network Global Alliance for Behavioral Health and Social Justice Grayken Center for Addiction at Boston Medical Center, Boston University Group Six Partners, LLC. Gulf Coast Health Center Inc. Harbor Point Therapy, PLLC Harlem United Harm Reduction Action Center Harvest Healing Foundation, Inc. Hawal'i Opioid & Consumer Alliance Haymarket Center Health Policy Network LLC HealthRiGHT 360 Henry Edwards HIV Alliance Hope and Wellness Resources Hope House Treatment Centers IC&RC Illinois Society of Addiction Medicine IMPOWER Indiana Council of Community Mental Health Centers Inseparable Integrity House International OCD Foundation International Society for Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses Iowa Harm Reduction Coalition Iowa Mental Health Advocacy Johnson County Mental Health Center Kentucky Harm Reduction Coalition Kentucky Society of Addiction Medicine Lake Charles Addiction and Wellness Lakeshore Foundation LDC Wellbeing Leading By Example LLC Lissa Franklin and Associates Little River Medical Center Live Rite Structured Recovery Corp LMGCA Louisiana Society of Addiction Medicine Magnolia Center, Inc. Mandolin Foundation

Massachusetts Health & Hospital Association

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McClendon Center **MDRS** Mental Health & Inclusion Ministries Mental Health America Mental Health America of Licking County Mental Health Liaison Group Mental Health Recovery Board Clark, Greene, Madison Counties Mercer Council on Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Minot Area Recovery Community Organization Missouri Behavioral Health Council Mobilize Recovery Mogollon Treatment Center Monarch Montgomery County Federation of Families for Children's Mental Health, Inc. NAADAC, the Association for Addiction Professionals National Alliance on Mental Illness National Alliance on Mental Illness Queens/Nassau National Association for Behavioral Health National Association for Children's Behavioral Health (NACBH) National Association for Rural Mental Health (NARMH) National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists National Association of County Behavioral Health and Developmental Disability Directors National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) National Council for Mental Wellbeing National Disability Rights Network (NDRN) National Eating Disorders Association National Federation of Families National Harm Reduction Coalition National Health Care for the Homeless Council National Healthcare for the Homeless Council National Register of Health Service Psychologists National Safety Council National Survivors Union/New England Drug Users Union/Never Use Alone/ Massachusetts Overdose Prevention Helpline NCADD Maryland

Maternal Mental Health Leadership Alliance

Mat-Su Health Foundation

Netsmart

Never Use Alone, Inc.

New Jersey Association of Mental Health & Addiction Agencies, Inc.

New Start

NHMH - No Health without Mental Health

Nurse's Court, LLC

Odyssey House Louisiana, Inc.

Odyssey House New York

Open Sky Community Services, Inc.

Ophelia Health, Inc.

Our2sons

Overdose Crisis Response Fund Partnership to End Addiction

Overdose Prevention Initiative

Peer 360 Recovery Alliance

People Engaged In Recovery

Perry Wellness Center

PHAM

Pivot Solutions LLC

Plains Area Mental, Inc.

Podesta Wellness

Policy Center for Maternal Mental Health

Powell Recovery Center, Inc.

President, Connecticut Chapter of American Society of Addiction Medicine

Public Justice Center

Putnam County Medical Mission

Pyramid Healthcare, Inc.,

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Recovery Advocates in Livingston, Inc.

Recovery Alliance

Recovery Centers of Arkansas-Oasis

Red Rock Behavioral Health Services

REDC Consortium

ReDiscover

Relatives Against Purdue Pharma (RAPP)

Renewal Center Recycled Books INC

RI International

Rincon Family Services

Rio Salado Behavioral Health Systems, Inc.

Rural AIDS Action Network

Sabater Laboratory for Psychological Innovations inc AND The Sabater LAB Foundation

Samaritan Daytop Village, Inc.

Sea Change Recovery Community Org Serna Solutions LLC Setbacks to Comebacks Shatterproof Shawnee Health SHE RECOVERS Foundation Simmons University Smart Approaches to Marijuana SMARI Recovery South Jersey AIDS Alliance South Texas Patient Advocacy Southeast Florida Recovery Advocates, Inc. Southwest Network Stanford Sierra Youth & Families State Health Partners STEP Mation, inc. Substance Abuse Prevention Team of Essex County, Inc. Summit Recovery Hub Sycamores TCAM MS LLC Tennessee Hospital Association The Center for Great Expectations The Clinic, Enid, Oklahoma The Family Counseling Center of Fulton County, Inc. The Family Focused Treatment Association The Happier Life Project The Kennedy Forum The McShin Foundation The Meyers Group The National Alliance to Advance Adolescent Health The Never Alone Clubhouse The Ohio Council of Behavioral Health & Family Services Provider The Porchlight Collective SAP The Purpose of Recovery The WrightTime4Change Third Horizon Strategies Today | Matter, Inc.

San Francisco Drug Users Union

Sandy Hook Promise

Sarita Lynne Ministries

Total Family Care Coalition

Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities

Treatment Communities of America

Irilogy, Inc.

True Nature Recovery Counseling

Turning Point Community Programs

University of Minnesota Broadway Family Medicine Clinic/North Memorial Hospital Family Medicine Residency Program

USARA

Venango Training & Development Cener, Inc. Vesta, Inc.

VIP Community Services, Inc.

Virginia State Chapter of American Society of Addiction Medicine Volces of Hope Lexington, Inc.

Voices of Hope, Inc.

Voices of Recovery San Mateo County

Yolunteers of America, Utah

Vstar Behavioral Health Services PLLC

Wabash Valley Recovery Center

Warren Family Recovery

Wellbeing Initiative, Inc.

WellPower

WestCare Foundation, Inc.

WestCare Gulf Coast Region

Westside Family Health Center

Whitlock Consulting

Why Us Kids?

Wilkes Recovery Revalution, Inc.

Will Work for Recovery

Woodland Centers

Woodlock and Associates

Workit Health

Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic

Young People in Recovery

YourPath Care, PLLC