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Dear Deputy Assistant David Woll:

On behalf of H-STAT, an interprofessional graduate student advocacy organization dedicated to improving the health for Georgians, I appreciate the opportunity to comment on [“Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996: Interpretation of Federal Public Benefit” \(Docket No. FR-6573-N-01\)](#) notice of proposed rule making (NPRM). H-STAT strongly opposes this proposed rule and its implications on health in the country. Several of the included provisions significantly limit access to healthcare for people in our state. As medical students and trainees, many of us complete rotations in FQHCs and see several undocumented, DACA, or TPS patients in a day. Without the services we provide and routine care, they would be forced to utilize emergency services, thus increasing [healthcare costs](#) and [wait times in the ER](#). Additionally, we’ve witnessed the impact of Head Start for our pediatric patients who rely on early education and school readiness to prepare them for the school year. Without these programs, many of the children we see would be [poorly adjusted](#) to the demands expected of them in a formal schooling environment. We thank the HHS for the opportunity to provide public comment on this proposed rule. Again, we strongly implore the HHS to reconsider the implications of this rule on human health especially for our most vulnerable patients.

Thank you for your consideration on the issue. We look forward to working with you to promote the health of Georgians. If you have any questions, please contact Nicholas Wilson, at nicholas@healthstatgeorgia.org.

Sincerely,

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