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**Statement of Conference of Boston Teaching Hospitals  
Executive Director John Erwin on US Senate Health Reform Proposal**

We are deeply disappointed that the Senate's proposal to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act simply builds upon the ill-conceived House-approved bill. If enacted, this legislation will leave tens of millions of Americans without health coverage and others with coverage that fails to address their medical needs.

The damage that this legislation will do to our health care system, both here in Massachusetts and throughout the nation, will be catastrophic and undo years of progress made on access and affordability. This legislation will destabilize the health care marketplace and cripple the Medicaid program while placing unsustainable financial pressure on states and providers.

We are grateful to our Congressional delegation for their unwavering commitment to defeating these proposals and urge the entire Senate to reject the bill.

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