

Don't repeal Obamacare

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I called Rep. Greg Walden's office recently urging him, through his staff, not to repeal Obamacare.

My adult son found out he had a cancerous spinal tumor last March. He had finally gone to the doctor after delaying for more than a year due to lack of insurance. Surgery left him a quadriplegic except for tiny movement in his toes and hand. Through physical therapy he is now able to stand and walk a little and he has upper body movement but there is still a long way to go.

When/if Obamacare is repealed he will have no insurance to follow up on physical therapy and spinal cancer and he is unable to work. He has applied for Medicare, but that is also on the chopping block. I was met with silence on the other end of the phone. After asking, "are you there?" the staffer finally responded yes, he would pass along my information. That was it.

Rep. Walden is good at avoiding taking stances on things and quietly voting with the GOP party line. I beg him to show some courage this time. Stop the repeal of Obamacare.