

2020 Maternal & Child Health Campaign

March 19 Call to Action: Sample Message to Senate Staff

Dear _____,

My name is _____ and I'm a constituent with Dining for Women from _____ (town). I have a request for the Senator.

As you know, U.S. leadership has been critical to the incredible progress made on global maternal health and child survival since 1990.

But there is still much work to do as 15,000 children under age 5 still die daily of preventable causes, and 300,000 women die annually of preventable causes related to pregnancy and child birth. And the coronavirus crisis will likely make this worse if we don't act.

But we can protect and continue progress by increasing investment in effective maternal & child health, immunization, and nutrition programs for people in living in resource-poor settings.

Will the Senator please support continued progress by signing the Senate Maternal & Child Health, Gavi, and Nutrition Dear Colleague letter being led by Senators Collins and Coons? I have attached a copy. Can someone get back to me and let me know?

If the Senator is already a signer, use this for the call to action (replace the last paragraph):

I want to thank the Senator signing the Senate Maternal & Child Health, Gavi, and Nutrition Dear Colleague letter. The Senator clearly understands the importance of continued progress for women, girls, and children. Would the Senator please take a further action by reaching out to a colleague who have not yet signed the letter and ask them to join the Senator by signing the Dear Colleague letter supporting these vital programs? You can [find current a list of signers here](#).