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Senator Mark Warner
Senator Johnny Isakson
Senate Committee on Finance
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-6200
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Dear Senators Isakson and Warner,

Please accept this proposal to reduce cost of CMS services while increasing needed services for the chronic patient. This is a very simple proposal which is within CMS Administrative options and in fact has been applied in some cases and not others. While modifying current CPT codes to implement recent court decisions, CMS has written a new CPT code to allow general supervision; however, it is of limited scope and not applicable to most healthcare professionals. The current proposal has been requested by the Minnesota Hospital Association and many other health care organizations. It is a simple redefinition of the supervision term to allow more services to be included in general supervision by a physician rather than just those where he is physically present in another room. As you will see in the enclosed proposal, this simple regulatory adjustment will allow savings of millions of dollars and of more importance allow more preventive services to be provided to the elderly that will prevent the creation of serious medical conditions.

If there is any further information you may require please contact us and we will be pleased to offer any information necessary to the committee.

Thank you for your efforts to help the elderly who are mainly the Medicare beneficiary living with debilitating chronic conditions.

Sincerely,

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