

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 11, 2016

The Honorable Andy Slavitt
Acting Administrator
Department of Health and Human Services
Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21244

Dear Administrator Slavitt,

We write to join our colleagues in support of the Medicare proposed guidance for Pharmacy Benefit Managers (PBMs) and Part D plan sponsors that requires regular and frequent reporting of pharmacy drug price concessions.

As Congressmen Scott, Loeb sack, Welch, and Carter noted in their letter to you dated June 14, 2016, and as many other Members of Congress concurred, your agency's proposed guidance should be successful because: (1) it prevents PBMs and plan sponsors from manipulating drug prices by withholding market information; and (2) it ensures that Medicare beneficiaries have access to the most accurate data available as they assess the costs of their prescriptions.

Again, we reiterate our colleagues' support of your agency's proposal. If you have any questions, please contact Michael Wertheimer, the health policy advisor for Congressman Keating, at (202) 225-3111 or Michael.Wertheimer@mail.house.gov. Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to working with you to ensure our seniors receive the quality of care they deserve.

Sincerely,



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