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Dear Mr. Beck:

My name is Faye Wong RN and I am a director of home operations in the Pacific Northwest region of DaVita Health Care Partners. I have cared for dialysis patients in acute hospital setting, outpatient center settings and now in home therapy for the past 35 + years. And I have seen over years how the new technology and intervention of renal replacement therapy have allowed patients continue to live productive lives.

I have recently learned of certain health plans are adopting plan language that shifts significant payment responsibility from the plan to those members diagnosed with End-Stage Renal Disease and requires members to obtain other coverage without regard to the members' best interest, or their eligibility for such coverage. These plans are discriminatory towards ESRD patients, and if they are not removed from the market, could lead to significant financial expense for patients.

And I want to encourage you to consider and not allow the health plans to put such a restriction on this very vulnerable population.

Thank you for your attention in this important matter for our patients!!!

If I can be of any assistance please don't hesitate to call me at 503-2587704 or I can be reached via email: faye.wong@davita.com

Sincerely,
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