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Dear Mr. Beck, Mr. Fordham and Mrs. Cali:

My name is Elizabeth Goings and I am a Home Hemodialysis Nurse with DaVita from McMinnville and Tualatin, Oregon. I have worked in dialysis for about 8 years. I have worked In-Center (Chronic) and in the Acute (Hospital) and currently I coordinate the Home Hemodialysis programs in McMinnville & Tualatin.

It has come to my attention that there are certain Health Plans that are adopting plan language that shifts significant payment responsibility from the plan to those members diagnosed with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) and would require member to obtain other coverage without regard to the members' best interest. These plans are discriminatory towards ESRD patients and if not removed from the market could lead to significant financial expense for the patients, who already have a limited income.

I am, therefore, urging you to remove all those Health Plans from the market before open enrollment begins. Thank you for your time concerning this issue.

Sincerely,

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