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

Greetings. My name is Norita Dobyys and I am a Regional Operations Coordinator with DaVita Dialysis in the greater Portland area. I've been with DaVita for two and a half years and I am the daughter of a dialysis patient.

Issues impacting the dialysis community are very near to my heart and I was troubled when I recently learned that some Pacific NW health plans are adopting language that would shift significant payment responsibility from the insurance plan to patients diagnosed with ESRD. These plans would limit full dialysis coverage to three months or 42 treatments, after which, the patients must obtain alternate coverage without regard to the patients' eligibility for such coverage. I am worried that this language would have negative impact on hundreds of ESRD patients in Oregon, dramatically limiting insurance options for patients and creating an unnecessary and discriminatory financial burden on ESRD patients.

I appreciate the chance to voice my concerns and thank you for your attention to this matter of utmost importance to ESRD patients and their families.

Thanks!

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