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Please Sign Onto Letter Opposing Johnson & Johnson Attempt to Change to the 340B Prescription Drug Discount Program

Dear Representative Griffith:

I am writing on behalf of the Alliance of Safety-Net Hospitals (ASH) to ask you to sign onto a House letter to Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra opposing Johnson & Johnson's unilateral attempt to circumvent established 340B prescription drug discount program policy and shift two of its prescription drugs to a rebate model for DSH hospitals and other 340B-eligible health care providers.

Johnson & Johnson's announced intention threatens the ability of community safety-net hospitals to continue meeting the prescription drug needs of their eligible low-income patients, as the program has done successfully since its launch in 1992.

340B is a vital part of community safety-net hospitals' overall approach to serving the low-income residents of the communities in which we are located. It enables us to provide prescription drugs to patients who otherwise could not afford them and also generates savings that we reinvest in services for the low-income, underinsured, and uninsured residents of our communities. ASH supports 340B and urges you to sign onto this letter to Secretary Becerra asking him to oppose this assault on the program.

Below you will find both a draft of the letter to Secretary Becerra and a House "Dear Colleague" letter urging you to sign on. Please let us know if you have any questions about our support for the 340B program or this letter.

Sincerely,

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