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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

WE ARE NEVADA RESIDENTS WHO WORK WITH OR ARE THE PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. WE ARE DEEPLY CONCERNED WITH THE TOPIC ON THE TABLE OF THE SEPTEMBER MEETING REGARDING SILVER STATE HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS. OF PARTICULAR CONCERN ARE THE PLAN BENEFITS FOR THERAPY SERVICES. IT IS OUR POSITION THAT THERAPY SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN THE STATE OF NEVADA ARE POORLY INADEQUATE AND ANY ATTEMPT TO FURTHER LIMIT AVAILABILITY OF THESE SERVICES WILL RESULT IN INCREASED STRESS AND WORRY ON ALREADY CHALLENGED FAMILIES.

WE URGE YOU TO PLEASE BE WISE AND VIGILANT AND CONSIDER THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN WHO CANNOT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. PLEASE KNOW THAT ACCESS TO PHYSICAL, OCCUPATIONAL AND SPEECH THERAPY ARE VERY CRITICAL TO OUR CHILDREN HAVING THE BEST LIFE POSSIBLE AND IS NECESSARY EVEN IF THAT CHILD COMES INTO THE WORLD WITH THOSE CHALLENGES THROUGH NO PARTICULAR "ILLNESS" OR "INJURY"

Susie Kelly, PTA
Mercier Boykins - Father
Beth Ward, PT

~~_____~~ - Father
Jackie Chaleana - Grandmother
Justine Adams - Mother
Rebecca L. Camous - Mother
Susie M. Whiffles
Kevin H. - Father

Deepa Champsai OTT/L
Cheryl K. - mother
Tracy Riley - LPTA

Miriam Valdez - Parent
DOM - DOCTOR RODRIGUEZ
Dad - ~~_____~~
Jimmie Sauer
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