

Subject: Please focus on PBM reform

To the Members of the Prescription Drug Affordability Board,

I urge you to think carefully about the real consequences of mandating the costs of prescription medications.

I've seen how fragile access to medicines can be when insurance companies and PBMs stand in the way. Chronic conditions can be denied, delayed, or switched more times—not because of medical judgment, but because of cost. Adding another layer of government-imposed controls could only make it harder for patients to get the therapies they rely on.

I worry that this plan could lead to fewer options, delays in innovation, and even the withdrawal of critical drugs from the market. Patients who are finally stable could lose everything they've worked to regain. That's not progress, it's a step backward.

The real reform that's needed is accountability for Pharmacy Benefit Managers. PBMs dictate which medicines are covered, limit pharmacy choices, and keep rebates for themselves instead of passing savings to patients. If the Board truly wants to lower costs without harming access, the focus should be on reining in PBMs, not discouraging the development of future treatments.

At your upcoming meeting, I ask that you keep patients in mind. This decision is not just about budgets; it's about lives, dignity, and the chance for families to move forward.

Sincerely,

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