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The Honorable Ron Wyden Chairman Committee on Finance United States Senate 221 Dirksen Senate Office Building The Honorable Richie Neal Chairman Committee on Ways and Means United States House of Representatives

Committee on Finance United States Senate 239 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 Ranking Member Committee on Ways and Means United States House of Representatives 1011 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairmen Wyden and Neal, and Ranking Members Crapo and Brady:

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legislation would also take steps to help improve physician workforce diversity by commissioning a report to specifically look at ways to create a more diverse clinical workforce.

As providers continue to serve on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is crucial that we invest in future physicians who can replenish the physician workforce. We urge you to include additional Medicare-supported GME training positions in the upcoming reconciliation package, and we look forward to working with you to expand and diversify the physician workforce and ensure that patients have access to the care they need.

Sincerely,

Association of American Medical Colleges

Academic Consortium for Integrative Medicine & Health

Alliance for Academic Internal Medicine (AAIM)

Alliance of Specialty Medicine

America's Essential Hospitals

American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry

American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology

American Academy of Dermatology Association

American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

American Academy of Neurology

American Academy of Ophthalmology

American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery

American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation

American Academy of Sleep Medicine

American Association of Chairs of Departments of Psychiatry

American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine

American Association of Directors of Psychiatric Residency Training

American Association of Neurological Surgeons

American College of Academic Addiction Medicine (ACAAM)

American College of Cardiology

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

American College of Osteopathic Internists

American College of Physicians

American College of Radiology

American College of Rheumatology

American College of Surgeons

American Gastroenterological Association

American Geriatrics Society

American Gynecological & Obstetrical Society (AGOS)

American Medical Association

American Osteopathic Association

American Psychiatric Association

American Society for Clinical Pathology

American Society of Addiction Medicine

American Society of Nephrology