

The Honorable Max Baucus
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Dear Senator Baucus:

I am writing to urge you to ensure that the final Senate health reform bill provides a Medicare-like public health care plan that everyone can use.

Health care is a human right, not a commodity. A key step toward fulfilling this right and recognizing it as a public good would be for the Senate to provide a Medicare-like public plan that guarantees access for all, offers comprehensive benefits, and is publicly funded, without using private companies as middlemen.

I thank you for your efforts in leading the Senate's work on health care reform, which offers a historic opportunity to take important strides toward making the U.S. health care system more universal, equitable and accountable.

The American people need a Medicare-like public plan for all as a critical step toward fulfilling our human right to health care. I urge you to seize this opportunity.

Thank you in advance for your action on this matter.

Sincerely,