May 4, 2020

Honorable Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate

Honorable Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate

Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House
U.S. House of Representatives

Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives

Dear Congressional Leaders:

We greatly appreciate your leadership in this time of national crisis and thank you for your quick actions to strengthen America’s health care infrastructure with desperately needed financial support. The expanded accelerated payment policy for Medicare providers is an extremely helpful approach that allows us to maintain essential medical services for all patients. As you know, our hospitals have canceled tens-of-thousands of elective surgeries and non-emergent patient tests at the government’s request to help assure there is adequate hospital capacity during the epidemic. This major shift has put some of America’s hospitals on the brink of financial disaster.

The Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Inspector General report released April 6 (Hospital Experiences Responding to the COVID-19 Pandemic: Results of a National Pulse Survey March 23-27, 2020) found that substantial financial assistance is a top priority for all hospitals as we struggle to maintain services to the communities we serve.

We write to you today respectfully requesting that Congress forgive all accelerated payments that hospitals and other providers receive, as authorized in Section 3719 of the CARES Act. We ask you to include this policy change in the next COVID-19 relief legislation. While this change may still not provide enough financial support to hospitals, the situation can be re-evaluated as the course of the epidemic becomes more certain.

Unless these loans are forgiven, hospitals will be facing another financial crisis just four months from now as the government begins to withhold Medicare payments for services provided after the pandemic fades and until the loans are repaid. While the $100 billion provider grant program, designed to provide support to all providers, will be helpful, we believe it will be woefully inadequate to compensate for our mounting losses. Without substantially more financial support, it is nearly certain that many hospitals will be forced to close or significantly reduce health care services over the next several months – and perhaps longer. This would be a tragic consequence, especially if the nation is hit with another round of the viral epidemic later this year.

Thank you for considering this request. We stand ready to work with you in every way to support our men and women on the frontline caring for those with the coronavirus. These heroes need to know that the nation will provide whatever it takes to assure they will have the resources to continue the battle.

Sincerely,
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Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare
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Mon Health System
West Virginia

Munson Healthcare
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North Memorial Health
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Norton Healthcare
Kentucky

NYU Langone Health
New York

Ochsner Health
Louisiana

One Brooklyn Health System
New York

Oregon Health & Science University
Oregon

OSF Healthcare
Illinois

Parkview Health
Indiana

PeaceHealth
Washington

Piedmont Healthcare
Georgia

Premier Health
Ohio

Presbyterian Healthcare Services
New Mexico

ProMedica
Ohio

Providence St. Joseph Health
Washington

Renown Health
Nevada

Riverside Health System
Virginia

Rush Health Systems
Alabama, Mississippi

RWJBarnabas Health
New Jersey

Salem Health Hospitals and Clinics
Oregon

Samaritan Health Services
Oregon

Sanford Health
South Dakota

Sisters of Charity Health System
Ohio

St. Elizabeth Healthcare
Kentucky

Summa Health
Ohio

The Queens Health Systems
Hawaii

Trinity Health
Michigan, Connecticut, Illinois, Ohio, many others

Trinity Health
North Dakota

UnityPoint Health
Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin

University Hospitals Health System
Ohio

University of Rochester Medical Center
New York

UT Health East Texas
Texas

Vidant Health
North Carolina

WVU Medicine
West Virginia
**Critical Access Hospitals [245]**

**Alaska**
- Central Peninsula Hospital

**Arizona**
- Copper Queen Community Hospital
- White Mountain Regional Medical Center
- Wickenburg Community Hospital

**Arkansas**
- Dallas County Medical Center
- Drew Memorial Health System
- Howard Memorial Hospital
- Ozarks Community Hospital
- Piggott Community Hospital

**California**
- Catalina Island Medical Center
- Healdsburg District Hospital
- John C. Fremont Healthcare District
- Northern Inyo Healthcare District
- Tahoe Forest Health System

**Colorado**
- Arkansas Valley Regional Medical Center
- Aspen Valley Hospital
- Community Hospital
- Delta County Memorial Hospital
- Estes Park Health
- Family Health West
- Grand River Health
- Gunnison Valley Health
- Haxtun Hospital District
- Heart of The Rockies Regional Medical Center
- Keefe Memorial Hospital
- Kiowa County Health District
- Kit Carson County Hospital Memorial Hospital
- Lincoln Community Hospital
- Melissa Memorial Hospital
- Memorial Regional Health
- Middle Park Health
- Middle Park Medical Center
- Mind Springs Health / West Springs Hospital
- Montrose Memorial Hospital
- Mt San Rafael Hospital
- Pagosa Springs Medical Center
- Pioneers Medical Center
- Prowers Medical Center
- Rangely District Hospital
- Rio Grande Hospital & Clinics
- San Luis Valley Health
- Sedgwick County Health Center
- Southeast Colorado Hospital District
- Southwest Health System
- Southwest Health System, Inc.
- St. Mary’s Medical Center (SCL Health)
- St. Vincent Hospital
- Telluride Regional Medical Center
- Vail Health
- Valley View
- Wray Community District Hospital
- Wray Hospital & Clinics
- Yuma District Healthcare

**Florida**
- George E. Weems Memorial Hospital

**Georgia**
- Putnam General Hospital
- Screven County Hospital
- Tattnall Hospital

**Idaho**
- Bingham Memorial Hospital
- Gritman Medical Center
- Power County Hospital District
- Steele Memorial Medical Center
- Syringa Hospital & Clinics

**Illinois**
- Ferrell Hospital Community Foundation
- Massac Memorial Hospital
- Perry Memorial Hospital

**Indiana**
- Boundary Community Hospital
- Woodlawn Hospital

**Iowa**
- Avera Merrill Pioneer Hospital
- Buchanan County Health Center
- Buena Vista Regional Medical Center
- Clark County Hospital
- Community Memorial Hospital
- Compass Memorial Healthcare
- Dallas County Hospital
- Davis County Hospital and Clinics
- Greater Regional Health
- Greene County Medical Center
- Guthrie County Hospital
- Hawarden Regional Healthcare
- Hegg Memorial Health Center Avera
- Humboldt County Memorial Hospital
- Knoxville Hospital and Clinics
- Loring Hospital
- Lucas County Health Center
- MahaskaHealth
- Monroe County Hospital & Clinics
- Pocahontas Community Hospital
- Regional Medical Center
- Shenandoah Medical Center
- Sioux Center Health
Stewart Memorial Community Hospital
Virginia Gay Hospital
Washington County Hospital

Kansas
Cheyenne County Hospital
Clay County Medical Center
Coffey Health System
Community Memorial Health, Inc
Edwards County Medical Center
Goodland Regional Medical Center
Hanover Hospital
Hiawatha Community Hospital
Holton Community Hospital
Minneola Healthcare
Mitchell County Hospital Health Systems
Morris County Hospital
Nemaha Valley Community Hospital
Neosho Memorial Regional Medical Center
Newman Regional Health
Phillips County Hospital
Rawlins County Health Center
Ringgold County Hospital
Russell Regional Hospital
Sabetha Community Hospital
Stanton County Hospital
Wichita County Health Center
Wilson Medical Center

Kentucky
Caldwell Medical Center
Carroll County Memorial Hospital
Livingston Hospital and Healthcare Services, Inc.
Mercy Health – Marcum and Wallace Hospital
Trigg County Hospital

Louisiana
Union General Hospital

Massachusetts
Fairview Hospital
Martha’s Vineyard Hospital

Maine
Down East Community Hospital
LincolnHealth

Minnesota
Carris Health Redwood
Cuyuna Regional Medical Center
Kittson Healthcare
North Shore Health
Pipestone County Medical Center Avera
RiverView Health
Sleepy Eye Medical Center
Swift County Benson Health Services

Tri-County Health Care

Michigan
Harbor Beach Community Hospital
Hills & Dales General Hospital

Mississippi
Covington County Hospital
Franklin County Memorial Hospital
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Missouri
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Montana
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Johnson County Hospital
Kearney County Health Services
Lexington Regional Health Center
Morrill County Community Hospital
Nemaha County Hospital
Niobrara Valley Hospital
Osmond General Hospital
Phelps Memorial Health Center

New Hampshire
Alice Peck Day Memorial Hospital

New York
Community Memorial Hospital
Ellenville Regional Hospital
Erie County Medical Center
Orleans Community Health

North Carolina
Charles A Cannon Jr Memorial Hospital

North Dakota
Ashley Medical Center

Ohio
Adena Greenfield Medical Center
Aultman Orrville Hospital
Bucyrus Community Hospital
Fulton County Health Center
Galion Community Hospital
Hardin Memorial Hospital
Henry County Hospital
Hocking Valley Community Hospital
Mercy Health – Allen Hospital
Mercy – Urbana Hospital
Mercy Health – Willard Hospital
Morrow County Hospital
Shelby Memorial Hospital
Wyandot Memorial Hospital

Oklahoma
Cimarron Memorial Hospital and RHC

Oregon
Blue Mountain Hospital District
Lake Health District
Morrow County Health District/Pioneer Memorial Hospital

South Carolina
Williamsburg Regional Hospital

South Dakota
Avera Gregory Hospital and Rosebud Country Care Center
Avera Hand County Memorial Hospital
Fall River Health Services
Winner Regional Health

Tennessee
Claiborne County Medical Center

Texas
Cogdell Memorial Hospital
Hardeman County Memorial Hospital
Memorial Medical Center
Palacios Community Medical Center
Ward Memorial Hospital
Wilbarger General Hospital

Utah
Beaver County Memorial Hospital
Central Valley Medical Center
Milford Memorial Hospital
Moab Regional Hospital

Virginia
Rappahannock General Hospital

Washington
Lincoln Hospital and Clinics
Mid-Valley Hospital & Clinic
North Valley Hospital
Prosser Memorial Health
Pullman Regional Hospital
Skyline Hospital
Three Rivers Hospital
Tri-State Memorial Hospital & Medical Campus

West Virginia
Grant Memorial Hospital
Pocahontas Memorial Hospital
Roane General Hospital

Wisconsin
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Olympic Medical Center
Washington

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Louisiana

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Ohio

Salem Regional Medical Center
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Southeastern Health
North Carolina

Southern Ohio Medical Center
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