

Partnership for  
Quality Home  
Healthcare

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February 15, 2017

The Honorable Orrin Hatch  
Chairman  
Committee on Finance  
United States Senate  
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-6200

The Honorable Ron Wyden  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Finance  
United States Senate  
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
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Dear Chairman Hatch and Ranking Member Wyden:

On behalf of the Partnership for Quality Home Healthcare (Partnership), we are writing in strong support of the nomination of Seema Verma to serve as Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

As the nation's premier association of leading skilled home health agencies, the Partnership is committed to delivering high quality healthcare services in the home, offering value to taxpayers and to families. Our nurses, therapists and caregivers provide essential skilled care services in an increasingly complex regulatory environment that is unnecessarily duplicative, burdensome and challenging.

The Partnership supports Ms. Verma's nomination because of her extensive experience in the private sector health care field, which we believe contributes to her understanding of the complexity of delivering care in such a highly regulated and tightly controlled environment. The Partnership is eager to work with Ms. Verma on common-sense solutions to reduce regulatory burden and make Medicare's home health benefit more accessible to seniors in need. We also believe that it is critical that the largest health care payer in the nation have a confirmed, permanent Administrator.

Accordingly, we enthusiastically support Ms. Verma's nomination and urge her expeditious confirmation.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Colin Roskey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the letter "y".

Colin Roskey  
Executive Vice President