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Re: SB772, Support Fair Pay for Naturopathic Doctors (NDs)

Dear Senate Committee on Health Care.

It seems self-evident to me that we as Americans should stand for equal opportunity and equal pay for equal work. It is time for our Oregon Senate to prove it.

I hope that you see the importance of making sure that N.D.'s are paid the same as M.D.'s and D.O.'s for the same exact CPT codes, in other words when they are doing the same exact work as M.D.'s and D.O.'s.

SB772 specifically states that naturopathic physicians shall receive equal reimbursement within whatever payment methodology is in use at the time. It is a well-written bill which will not hinder future progress, but will help to secure the future care of my patients.

Quite frankly there is no way that I will support any member of the Senate who doesn't support me. With that in mind I will be watching closely to see how our Oregon senate votes on this bill which is particularly important to me.

Sincerely yours,

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