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Dear Mr. Douglas,

My name is Lindsey Kiester and I am a facility administrator for Portland Gateway Davita. I have worked in dialysis for 7 years.

It has come to my attention that certain health plans are adopting plan language that shifts significant payment responsibility from the plan to those members diagnosed with End-Stage Renal Disease and requires members to obtain other coverage without regard to the members' best interest, or their eligibility for such coverage. These plans are discriminatory towards ESRD patients, and if they are not removed from the market, could lead to significant financial expense for patients.

I have seen patients continue to struggle with this disease and am very concerned in how this change will affect our patients lives!

Thank you for your time.

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