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June 24, 2021

The Honorable Charles Grassley  
135 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Michael Bennet  
261 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Katherine Clark  
2448 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Jaime Herrera Beutler  
2352 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Sens. Grassley and Bennet, and Reps. Clark and Herrera Beutler,

The Children's Cancer Cause was founded to ensure the needs and perspectives of children with cancer and survivors are integrated into federal health care, research and cancer policy.

We are writing to express our support for the Accelerating Kids' Access to Care Act (S. 1544/H.R. 3089). We thank you for your leadership in introducing this important bipartisan legislation to improve access to care for children with cancer that are enrolled in Medicaid. The Accelerating Kids' Access to Care Act recognizes that children may need to receive care from providers outside of their home state and simplifies the Medicaid out-of-state provider enrollment process.

Currently, if a child with cancer enrolled in Medicaid needs to see a provider outside of their home state, the out-of-state provider must first be screened and enrolled in the child's home state Medicaid program, despite already being enrolled within their own state's Medicaid program. This process could delay a child's access to care — care that could not be met by an in-state provider. Children with cancer have encountered this situation sometimes after traveling to another state for time-sensitive care.

The Accelerating Kids' Access to Care Act will create a national enrollment pathway to help alleviate the administrative burden on providers and ensure that children with cancer are able to receive out-of-state care when they need it. We are pleased to support this legislation and look forward to working with you on this important childhood cancer endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steve Wosahla".

Steve Wosahla  
Chief Executive Officer