



March 6, 2012

Dear Congressman Upton,

The Independent Payment Advisory Board (IPAB) is one of the most damaging provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. It unconstitutionally limits Congress' legislative authority and empowers unelected bureaucrats with extraordinary legislative power--the power to single-handedly slash Medicare reimbursement rates, potentially so low that doctors will be forced to deny critical care to seniors.

With Medicare expected to be bankrupt in nine years, it must be reformed. But empowering unelected bureaucrats to effectively make health care decisions for seniors is not the right kind of reform. Seniors deserve better, to control their own health care as Congressman Paul Ryan's reforms accomplish.

We applaud your leadership in voting on Congressman Phil Roe's important legislation to repeal it and look forward to fighting along-side you for patient-centered reforms.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Colin L. Hanna". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

President Colin Hanna