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Over 300 Healthcare Providers Oppose Sen Sanders' Foreign Reference Pricing Amendment

Washington, DC – Today the Part B Access for Seniors and Physicians (ASP) Coalition, which represents more than 300 patient and provider organizations across the country, came out in strong opposition to Senator Sanders' amendment 2435, filed during the debate on the One Big Beautiful Bill Act.

Let's be very clear. Any effort to impose the policies of foreign governments onto American physicians puts patient access to innovative – and lifesaving – treatments at risk. Is that really what we want in the United States?

Linking U.S. health care policy to other countries, who artificially suppress prices through access restrictions and subjective controls, would tie the hands of providers in the United States by narrowing available treatments due to market forces outside of their control. At a time when providers are grappling with a challenging reimbursement environment, neither they nor their patients should be forced to navigate policies based on socialized medicine systems which are often antithetical to American values.

Additionally, the impact of the amendment's effort to not only expand the number of Part B negotiated drugs but to allow the negotiation of medicines from the moment they are approved would be catastrophic for the U.S. health care system. The Inflation Reduction Act already puts providers and their patients in the middle of drug price negotiations between the government and drug companies. An expansion of this magnitude would further exacerbate reimbursement challenges, drive provider consolidation, and massively disincentivize future treatments and cures for American patients.

The more than a dozen letters and statements of the ASP Coalitions' opposition to 'foreign reference pricing' can be found at our website – www.partbaccess.org