

## Medical Home Sample Letter

The Honorable Senator \_\_\_\_\_  
United States Senate \_\_\_\_\_  
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator \_\_\_\_\_

It has come to my attention that the Senate is examining the utilization of medical homes in their deliberations regarding health care reform. I am writing to ask for your help to facilitate the inclusion of nurse practitioner primary care providers and the recognition of nurse practitioner led practices as medical homes in any legislative provisions that include utilization of and payment to medical homes.

Nurse practitioners provide high quality primary care that meets the NCQA standards for the medical home (i.e. personal primary care provider, care that is coordinated by that provider, care that is whole person oriented, coordinated and integrated, of high quality and safe, and that enhances access). They need to be included in order to help meet the unmet health care needs of this country.

Please help us to be included in any provision that includes the Medical Home Model in the Health Care Reform legislation currently being drafted. We want to help but cannot when we are excluded from the legislation that focuses on these models.

If you would like to discuss this further, feel free to call me at (*include contact information*), or Dr. Jan Towers at the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Office of Health Policy (202-966-6414); E-mail: [dcoffice@aanp.org](mailto:dcoffice@aanp.org). Thank for your advocacy and help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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\*We recommend that you fax and/or email your Senator as well, since regular mail still passes through lengthy security inspection.

Please cc copies of your correspondence to Dr. Jan Towers, Office of Health Policy, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Box 40130, Washington, DC 20016