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Ms. Roslyn M. Brock
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Dear Ms. Brock:

On behalf of Safety Net Hospitals for Pharmaceutical Access (SNHPA), we would like to express our congratulations to you on your appointment to the position of Board Chair of the NAACP. The 500 hospitals that participate in our organization, including the Bon Secours hospitals, share a mission of providing care to our most vulnerable patient populations.

As you may know, SNHPA's member hospitals use the drug discounts made available through the federal 340B drug discount program to enhance health care services for the disadvantaged, many of whom are low-income African Americans and other people of color. The 340B program and the wide range of health care services funded in part through 340B discounts significantly help to reduce disparities in health care quality and access.

For this reason, we hope to find opportunities to work with the NAACP to further enhance the health care services that can be provided for disadvantaged Americans of all races by strengthening the existing 340B outpatient drug program and extending 340B discounts to inpatient drugs.

SNHPA looks forward to working with you in the coming months and we would be happy to serve as a resource. If you have questions or would like to discuss opportunities for partnership, please contact Ted Slafsky at 202-552-5860 or ted.slafsky@snhpa.org. We would also like to invite you to lunch the next time you are visiting and available in D.C.

Sincerely,

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