

Senator Max Baucus
511 Hart Senate Office Building
District of Columbia
20510-2602
(202) 224-2651

The Honorable Max Baucus,

As a concerned citizen, I am writing to ask you to cosponsor The Medicare Access to Rehabilitation Services Act of 2009 (S.46/H.R.43). The bill repeals the financial limits on outpatient physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech language pathology services which originated back in the Balanced Budget Act (BBA) of 1997. These financial limits; or “therapy caps” impose an annual limit of \$1,840 per beneficiary for outpatient therapy services provided in all Part B practice settings except for those furnished in a hospital outpatient department.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Senator Jon Tester
204 Russell Senate Office Building
District of Columbia
20510-2603
(202) 224-2644

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2448 Rayburn House Office Building
District of Columbia
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(202) 225-3211

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