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Community Access National Network Urges Senate HELP Committee to Prioritize Patient-Centered Reforms to 340B Drug Discount Program

WASHINGTON, DC (October 21, 2025) – Today, Jen Laws, President & CEO of Community Access National Network (CANN), released the following statement ahead of Thursday's [Senate HELP Committee hearing](#):

"We applaud Chair Cassidy and Senate HELP Committee members for evaluating the 340B program and its impact on patients throughout the country. We already know from Senator Cassidy's [April 2025 report](#), the Congressional Budget Office's [September 2025 report](#), and countless investigations over the years, though, that the 340B program is being exploited by massive corporations and no longer serving its original intent of expanding access to care for vulnerable patients.

"The program's original intent focused on patients *first*, but, too often, state and federal legislators hear from us last.

"Given the complete absence of patient interest representation at the witness table on Thursday, we urge the Committee to focus on reforms that will ensure 340B can return to helping those in most need. Specifically, we request Committee members take action to hold intermediaries like pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) and third party administrators operating as 340B profit maximizers accountable for the ways in which they leverage the program – and the entire health care system – for their own gain, raking in billions in the process.

"The Senate HELP Committee has an opportunity to take decisive action at a time when Americans are shouldering the brunt of a government shut down and facing rising premiums and health care costs. By eliminating profiteering abuses within the 340B program, and passing bipartisan PBM reform legislation, Congress can lower the cost of health care for patients, taxpayers, and consumers across the nation.

"Thursday's hearing holds incredible promise, but patient-centered interests must be at the forefront. Holding PBMs accountable and stopping the exploitation of 340B will prove Congress' commitment to supporting patients and improving all consumers' access to timely, affordable health care."

About Community Access National Network: The mission of the Community Access National Network (CANN) is to define, promote, and improve access to healthcare services and supports for people living with HIV/AIDS and/or Viral Hepatitis through advocacy, education, and networking. These services must be affordable to the people who need them regardless of insurance status, income, or geographic location.