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March 24, 2022

Dr. Daniel Calac
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Dear Dr. Calac:

Thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at the hearing entitled “Lessons from the Frontline: COVID-19’s Impact on American Health Care.” I appreciate the time and effort you gave as a witness before the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

Pursuant to Rule 3 of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, members are permitted to submit additional questions to the witnesses for their responses, which will be included in the hearing record. Attached are questions directed to you from certain members of the Committee. In preparing your answers to these questions, please address your response to the member who has submitted the questions in the space provided.

To facilitate the printing of the hearing record, please submit your responses to these questions no later than the close of business on Thursday, April 7, 2022. As previously noted, this transmittal letter and your responses, as well as the responses from the other witnesses appearing at the hearing, will all be included in the hearing record. Your written responses should be transmitted by e-mail in the Word document provided to Austin Flack, Junior Professional Staff, at austin.flack@mail.house.gov. To help in maintaining the proper format for hearing records, please use the document provided to complete your responses.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If you need additional information or have other questions, please contact Austin Flack with the Committee staff at (202) 225-2927.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank Pallone, Jr." in a cursive style.

Frank Pallone, Jr.
Chairman

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Cathy McMorris Rodgers
Ranking Member
Committee on Energy and Commerce

The Honorable Diana DeGette
Chair
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

The Honorable H. Morgan Griffith
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

Attachment—Additional Questions for the Record

**Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations
Hearing on
“Lessons from the Frontline: COVID-19’s Impact on American Health Care”
March 2, 2022**

Dr. Daniel Calac, Chief Medical Officer, Indian Health Council, Inc.

The Honorable Diana DeGette (D-CO)

1. How have years of underfunding and limited resources within the Indian Health Service network impacted the availability of health care workers to provide services to Native American and Alaskan Native communities, particularly in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic?

The Honorable H. Morgan Griffith (R-VA)

1. Do you believe that health systems benefit from the use of digital health technologies, like remote patient physiologic monitoring (RPM), to help clinicians care for patients and relieve stress on nursing staff?
2. Do you think that the appropriate use of medical technology to safely and reliably monitor patients can help reduce burnout in our healthcare workforce?