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All,

I sincerely apologize for the confusion and contradiction in assistance provided to the Committee on HR3692. This was an inadvertent and unfortunate oversight. DEA retracts its previous emails discussing the technical assistance provided on HR3692 (attachments 1 and 2).

This e-mail should serve as revised technical assistance and DEA's formal position on HR 3692. In concert with views in its Economic Impact Analysis Report on the Implementation of the Provision of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act (CARA) of 2016 Relating to the Dispensing of Narcotic Drugs for Opioid Use Disorder, published in January 2018 (attachment 3), DEA believes it is important to ensure access to Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) and does not object to provisions of the bill or amendment provided by the Committee in attachment 4. This report examined the effects of CARA, which authorized certain mid-level practitioners (nurse practitioners and physician assistants) to prescribe a Schedule III narcotic (buprenorphine) for MAT.

We look forward to working with the Committee on any MAT legislation and I appreciate Buck bringing the information in the DEA analysis report to our attention.

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Thanks again for jumping on the call. Attached please find a copy of:

1. H.R. 3692, as introduced
2. Tonko Amendment to H.R. 3692, as submitted for Full Committee markup

These documents taken together are what we would like to receive TA on.

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