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House of Representatives

SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

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MEMORANDUM

September 16, 2022

To: Members of the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Hybrid Hearing on “Examining Long-Term Care in America: The Impact of the Coronavirus in Nursing Homes”

On **Wednesday, September 21, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. E.T.**, the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis will hold a hybrid hearing on “Examining Long-Term Care in America: The Impact of the Coronavirus in Nursing Homes.”

This hearing will convene in person in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building and remotely using Zoom, which has been approved by the House, at the discretion of the Chairman, the witnesses, and other Members.

In light of current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Office of Attending Physician (OAP), use of masks by Members and staff in the hearing room is optional. Individuals are advised that wearing a mask, particularly a properly fitted, medical-grade, filtration face mask (KN95 or N95 mask), is a very effective personal protective measure to reduce the risk of infection. Members and staff should consult CDC and OAP guidance regarding individual mask usage. Members and staff with coronavirus symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with the coronavirus should participate in the hearing remotely.

Members attending remotely are asked to connect by 1:30 p.m. to ensure their participation and troubleshoot any connectivity issues. The hearing will be recorded and livestreamed for the public.

I. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF HEARING

This hearing will examine the impact of the coronavirus on nursing home residents and staff. It will also explore structural problems in nursing homes and what improvements are needed to ensure residents and staff are protected from the coronavirus and other public health risks.

II. WITNESSES

Dr. Alice Bonner, RN

Senior Advisor for Aging, Institute for Healthcare Improvement
Chair, Moving Forward Nursing Home Quality Coalition

Dr. David C. Grabowski

Professor of Health Care Policy, Department of Health Care Policy, Harvard Medical
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Adelina V. Ramos

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Minority witness may be added