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Randy Marshall
Executive Director
New Mexico Medical Society

Dear Mr. Marshall:

We practice at the largest independent primary care clinic in SE New Mexico. Each month, we treat 6000 patients at our Hobbs and Carlsbad locations.

We have become very alarmed and distressed by reports from patients who we send for specialty care in Texas that their physicians are informing them that they will have no choice but to discharge these patients from their practices because of the hostile legal consequences to these specialists of a lawsuit now being heard in New Mexico.

There is currently a shortage of primary care physicians in SE New Mexico. The shortage is even greater for physicians who are specialists.

Our patients have no other option but to travel to Texas for care essential for their wellbeing and often for their very survival. Cutting them off from their Texas specialists will create a disruption and disaster of immense consequences, including, we foresee, otherwise avoidable deaths.

Please urge those who have the power to rectify this pending tragedy to consider the best interests of the citizens of SE New Mexico and to act on their behalf as they arrive at their decision on this momentous issue.

On behalf of American Medical Group in Hobbs:

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Sincerely,



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