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Dear:

I can understand your concern over the inclusion of podiatrists under the medicare program and as you know, the Senate added language to the bill that would provide for limited participation. In conference it was agreed that podiatrists would be included but the purpose for which they are considered a physician was limited to the definition of covered physician's services. This conference report was agreed to by both the House and Senate.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen