To: David Meachum

Associated Regional Administrator

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

Dear David Meachum,

I wish to inform you how the new regulations requiring a physician order for medical supplies impacts me. My (Check one):

Nurse Practitioner \_\_\_\_\_\_

Nurse Midwife \_\_\_\_\_\_

Clinical Nurse Specialist \_\_\_\_\_\_

ordered \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for me.

I had to wait \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ until I was able to access this equipment or service covered by Medicaid.

Because of the delay in getting my supplies (check all that apply) I:

\_\_\_\_\_ became increasingly ill.

\_\_\_\_\_ had to go to an Urgent Care Clinic or emergency room.

\_\_\_\_\_ was admitted to the hospital.

\_\_\_\_\_ was forced to see another provider for the same problem.

\_\_\_\_\_ was forced to spend additional money.

\_\_\_\_\_ Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

This recent change impacts our ability to obtain medical supplies we desperately need. We implore you to find a way to permit ARNPs to order these supplies and provide the services they are trained to provide.

Thank you for your attention,

Sincerely,