

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ ,

I am writing to request that \_\_\_\_\_ include licensed naturopathic physicians in its network of health care providers. Presumably you are well aware of the Affordable Care Act (Section 2706) that prohibits insurers from discriminating against health care providers who wish to participate in insurance and who are acting within the scope of their license by the state of Arizona. Thus, any Arizona insurer that excludes licensed naturopathic doctors from its network is in clear violation of federal law.

Your decision to exclude licensed naturopathic doctors from your network effectively prevents me from seeking care from the type of licensed health care provider of my choice.

In case you're wondering why I prefer to visit a naturopathic doctor, allow me to explain. I prefer to see a doctor who helps me stay healthy in the first place and rather than treating me only after I become sick. I prefer visiting a doctor who guides me in leading a healthy lifestyle and prescribes natural therapies first, before prescribing expensive drugs with potentially harmful side effects. And I prefer a doctor who treats me as a whole person and not as a collection of unrelated body parts.

There are many good reasons, from \_\_\_\_\_'s perspective, to include naturopathic doctors in your network. Most importantly, the research makes clear that naturopathic care is safe, effective, and cost-effective. By including naturopathic doctors in your network, you can comply with federal law, help meet the demand for access to holistic forms of care, support your customers in staying healthy, and help control rising health care costs.

I hope that you'll act quickly on my request.

Sincerely,