

Dear Governor Doug Ducey,

I am writing to you because of my interest in your administration's efforts to protect consumer's rights to make informed choices when it comes to access to health care services in Arizona.

Because Section 2706 of the federal health care reform law prohibits discrimination "with respect to participating under the plan or coverage against any health care provider who is acting within the scope of that provider's license or certification", and Arizona law gives the director of insurance the authority to implement this provision through the legislature's enactment of HB2550, I am writing this letter to express my support for the implementation of these laws.

This is why I am asking you-and I will be sharing this request with other elected officials, policymakers, and business leaders-to direct the Department of Insurance to include naturopathic physicians in the list of providers who will provide essential health benefits under the ACA. When I buy health insurance in Arizona, the full range of choices contemplated by the ACA and HB2550 should be available to me, including Naturopathic medicine.

Sincerely,