Taking action on drug shortages during Covid-19 – open letter
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We are writing to you today to alert you to a concerning and dangerous problem that is coming to a head across the country. The public is becoming increasingly concerned about the potential drug shortages that may occur over the coming months as we deal with the COVID-19 pandemic.

As you are aware, the pharmaceutical supply chain is complex and can be impacted by a variety of factors, including manufacturing disruptions, transportation delays, and increased demand. In recent weeks, there have been reports of shortages of certain medications, particularly those that are in high demand due to the pandemic, such as ventilators and medications for COVID-19.

We believe that it is essential that steps be taken to ensure that our healthcare system is not put at risk due to shortages. This includes ensuring that there is sufficient stock of essential medications, as well as implementing strategies to prioritize the distribution of these medications based on need.

We urge you to take action to address this issue as soon as possible. We are confident that with your support, we can ensure that our healthcare system is able to continue to deliver the care that our patients need.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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