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Mr. Paul Tubiana
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Dear Mr. Tubiana:

Thank you for contacting me regarding properly diagnosing diabetes in children. I appreciate your sharing your views on this issue with me, and I apologize for the delay in responding.

As you may know, on May 18, 2004 Senator Benjamin Nelson of Nebraska introduced S. 2431, the Diabetes Self-Management Training Act. This bill amends Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training. It designates certified diabetes educators, recognized by the National Certification Board of Diabetes Educators, as providers of outpatient diabetes education. The bill has been referred to the Senate Committee on Finance.

I will continue to monitor the issues that concern you, and should any further legislation on this matter come to the House floor for a vote I will certainly keep your views in mind.

Again, thank you for letting me know your views on this issue. Please stay in touch and let me know if I can ever be of assistance in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Pat".

Patrick J. Toomey
Member of Congress