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May 4, 2021

The Honorable Michael Crapo, Ranking Member
Committee on Finance
United States Senate
239 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-1205

Dear Senator Crapo:

On behalf of the more than 2 million retirees and future retirees represented by the National Retiree Legislative Network (NRLN), I am requesting that you support calling for a vote in the Committee on Finance on **S.912, Protecting Seniors Through Immunization Act of 2021**. Passage of the bill would provide Medicare beneficiaries, at no cost, access to all recommended vaccines, including shingles, tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis.

Immunization coverage currently varies by vaccine under Medicare. Some immunizations are covered under Medicare Part B without any out-of-pocket costs, while other vaccines covered under Medicare Part D require significant out-of-pocket costs, contributing to low vaccination rates.

COVID-19 has shown the necessity for vaccinations for seniors and the importance of removing barriers like access and cost that impede getting vaccinated.

If you would like to learn more about why the NRLN supports passage of **S. 912**, please contact me or Alyson Parker, NRLN Executive Director, on her cell phone at 813-545-6792 or executivedirector@nrln.org.

Sincerely,

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