

To Honorable Shelley C. Chapman,

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My wife has severe Osteoporosis. She must take a injection in her abdomen every single day. The Osteoporosis had already softened her spine and this is to the degree of a few compression fractures of her back. She had a Vertebra plasty also trying to relieve her pain! Without our medical and medical prescriptions I he could not afford the daily injections.

Losing our benefits would be devastating to our family. I hope this letter informs of just how much we depend on our UMWA benefits, as all of the UMWA families do.

Sincerely  
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