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Subject: Support for RI House Bill 7921 – Pharmacists Test-and-Treat Authority Act

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Dear Members of the House of Representatives,

I am writing to express my strong support for **House Bill 7921, the Pharmacists Test-and-Treat Authority Act**. This legislation would authorize pharmacists, under statewide protocols, to order, perform, and interpret CLIA-waived tests and to prescribe appropriate medications, while also ensuring coverage of these services by health insurance carriers. The bill represents an important step toward expanding access to timely, patient-centered care throughout Rhode Island.

As the Ambulatory & Value Based Care Pharmacy leader for the Care New England Health System & a lifelong "Rhode Islander", I see on a daily basis the issues with primary care provider access and barriers to affordable patient management. This bill will help expand patient entry points into healthier living across Rhode Island. Pharmacist-led test-and-treat programs have demonstrated success in improving access to care, promoting appropriate medication use, and enhancing overall healthcare efficiency. Ensuring insurance coverage for these services is essential to making this model of care accessible, sustainable, and equitable for patients and the healthcare system.

I respectfully urge you to support **House Bill 7921** and advance this legislation to improve access to care, strengthen team-based practice, and better serve patients across Rhode Island.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Reach out with any questions.

Respectfully,

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