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Subject: Senate Bill # 2116

Chairwoman Murray and members of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee:

I am writing in support of Senate Bill #2116 which will permit Certified Foot Care Nurses to provide certain at-home foot care that includes routine foot and nail care and includes nail clipping.

These nurses have been trained to perform this care and will offer a great service to the diabetics, disabled and older citizens of Rhode Island who cannot travel to a physician's office for this type of care. Foot care is important for walking and fall prevention in this patient group. Also good foot care can ward off and prevent infections in the diabetic population.

These nurses are licensed professionals who can offer foot care in the home or living facility and do a lot of good for our home bound citizens.

I urge your vote and support for SB #2116.

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