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The Honorable Lou Correa  
2301 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Michael Burgess, MD  
2161 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

RE: *Coronavirus Provider Protection Act* (H.R. 3021)

Dear Representatives Correa and Burgess:

As the Alliance of Specialty Medicine (Alliance), our mission is to advocate for sound federal health care policy that fosters patient access to the highest quality specialty care. As patient and physician advocates, the Alliance thanks you for introducing the *Coronavirus Provider Protection Act (H.R. 3021)* which would protect physicians and other health professionals on the frontlines of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The *Coronavirus Provider Protection Act* provides liability protection to health care providers for damages with respect to harm caused by an act or omission in the course of arranging for or providing health care services during the COVID-19 public health emergency. The bill maintains important patient protections for those harmed as a result of gross negligence or misconduct.

The Alliance supports your bipartisan legislation which offers liability protection to physicians who act in good faith and abide by government guidelines while caring for their patients during the public health emergency. During the pandemic, physicians were required to suspend elective procedures and delay treatment, as well as provide care without adequate supplies of personal protective equipment, ventilators, and other critical supplies. The *Coronavirus Provider Protection Act* acknowledges these constraints during a time limited period and are appropriate during the pandemic.

Sincerely,

American Academy of Facial Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery  
American Association of Neurological Surgeons  
American College of Osteopathic Surgeons  
American College of Mohs Surgery  
American Gastroenterological Association  
American Society for Dermatologic Surgery Association  
American Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery  
American Society of Echocardiography  
American Society of Plastic Surgeons  
American Society of Retina Specialists  
American Urological Association  
Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations  
Congress of Neurological Surgeons  
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