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Dear Doctor:

You will soon be asked to participate in the National Ambulatory Care Survey (NAMCS) developed by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). We urge you to participate in this important survey.

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Because this survey has been conducted periodically since 1972, it has been especially useful in examining our health care system. Information from the survey provides an invaluable base for planning and organizing health services, assessing health facility and manpower requirements, determining possible modifications in medical education programs, and knowing what diseases are seen in the ambulatory setting. The American Academy of Pediatrics uses this unique data set to track trends in the delivery of pediatric care and develop informed policies.

The NCHS maintains strict confidentiality of the data. Only summary data will be published and made available to the medical profession, to health planners and researchers and to the public.

We know how valuable your time is, but we believe the information obtained will be worth the extra effort expended by participating physicians. Please provide your support for the NAMCS by providing the information requested.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Errol R. Alden".

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