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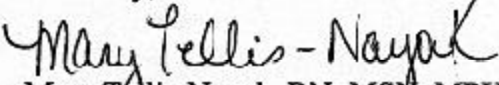
Dear Administrator,

I am writing to encourage you to participate in the 2004 National Nursing Home Survey conducted by the National Center for Health Statistics of the Department of Health and Human Services. The survey is designed to collect data on the characteristics of nursing homes, their residents, and staff and the services they provide. Statistical results from the survey will provide invaluable data for planning and organizing health care of older adults, drafting health legislation and, setting national policies and priorities.

The survey's new design maximizes the utility of the data collected and the new computer-assisted data collection methods minimize the time required to conduct the survey. Strict confidentiality will be maintained, and only summary data will be published and made available to health planners, researchers, health professionals and the public.

The support of the professional administrator is indispensable to the success of this research. Your participation in this survey process assures your voice in shaping public policy for our profession. I urge your cooperation in this effort.

Sincerely,


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