

November 9th, 2018

The Honorable Tammy Baldwin
United States Senate
709 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Baldwin,

The National Military and Veterans Alliance, a non-partisan advocacy group comprised of the undersigned military and veteran service organizations, writes to offer its support for your draft legislation that, upon being introduced in the Senate later this month, will seek to provide chiropractic health care services for non-activated reservists and retirees as a part of the TRICARE program.

Chiropractic care has become a widely accepted form of complementary medicine in the United States. With treatment applications ranging from musculoskeletal conditions to pain management, it is often an effective alternative to powerful opioid medications. For this reason, Congress has authorized programs to allow veterans to receive chiropractic care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, and service members to receive chiropractic care from Military Treatment Facilities. Unfortunately, non-activated reservists and retirees are unable to access chiropractic care as part of the TRICARE benefit. Your legislation would solve this problem by requiring TRICARE to offer chiropractic services to these two groups as a permanent part of the program, finally creating parity for veterans, servicemembers, and military retirees.

Please accept this letter of support on behalf of the National Military and Veterans Alliance. If we can provide any additional assistance to ensure passage of this bill, do not hesitate to contact us. We thank you for your leadership and your support of America's military and its veterans.

Sincerely,



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