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Dear Friends,

Thank you for the invitation to join you at this year's Annual Health Law & Policy Symposium. Please know that I am with you in spirit as you gather to discuss what can be done to achieve equitable and affordable health care in New Hampshire and beyond. Discussions like these are crucial steps toward finding solutions to rising health costs and disruptions to health care access and I commend all who have played a role in making today's symposium possible.

The importance of adequate and affordable health care coverage has been made even more apparent in recent years as we have continued to battle the COVID-19 pandemic since early 2020. This great global challenge further exposed the need to make some vital and long-overdue improvements to our health care systems. Cost should never be a barrier to crucial medical care, and I will continue to work in Congress to expand access to health care and encourage common-sense reform to keep our citizens safe and healthy. Health care is not merely a privilege, but a right that we all have.

Your work here today sends a powerful message: Granite Staters are capable of devising innovative solutions that will achieve more equitable health systems in this country and I know all of you will continue to seek ways to turn these visions into a reality. Thank you to the participants and organizers involved in today's discussions. Best of luck today and in all of your future endeavors.

Sincerely,



Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator