



May 21, 2013

The Honorable Thomas Carper
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Peter Roskam
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tom Coburn
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John Carney
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senators Carper and Coburn and Representatives Roskam and Carney:

On behalf of LexisNexis Risk Solutions, I write to express our support for the *Protecting Improper Medicare Expenditures Act*, the PRIME Act.

LexisNexis Risk Solutions is a leading provider of information solutions to help industry and government assess, predict, and manage risk. By combining cutting-edge technology, unique data, and advanced scoring analytics, LexisNexis helps government and commercial clients detect and prevent identity theft, fraud and improper payments.

Of the \$2.6 trillion spent annually on healthcare in the United States, far too much is lost to fraud and abuse. These avoidable healthcare costs directly impact the cost and quality of healthcare for every American. Adding further injury is the increased incidence of identity theft – more than 1.5 million people have been victimized by medical identity theft at an average cost of \$20,000 to the victim. Healthcare fraud and abuse contributes to higher costs for all healthcare consumers; every dollar spent on fraudulent or abusive claims reduces the amount of money available to improve the quality of care for those incurring legitimate expenses.

LexisNexis Risk Solutions supports efforts to combat the serious problem of healthcare fraud and abuse and we applaud your leadership on this important issue. This legislation is a good first step towards addressing this growing problem. We look forward to working with you and the other members of the committee as this legislation moves forward to ensure that private-sector information solutions are considered as one tool that federal agencies can use in combating healthcare fraud and abuse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Harry Jordan", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Harry Jordan,
Senior Vice President and General Manager, Health Care
LexisNexis Risk Solutions