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Dear Legislator,

We are in this together.

During this uncertain time, the American Lung Association is here to serve the community and provide science-based information and resources around lung health and the coronavirus.

While we are in the midst of a global pandemic, those with lung disease must have access to the treatments they need. It is also imperative that advocates and lawmakers continue to make sure that effective legislative action is taken swiftly on the national and statewide levels. Congress passed critical legislation in response to the coronavirus, aimed at ensuring critical healthcare services continue to be accessible to those who need them. State legislatures across the country are doing the same. We know that more measures will be needed to respond to this crisis and support the recovery.

As always, we are here to support all in staying safe and healthy. For questions around lung health please don't hesitate to share our Lung HelpLine at 1-800-LUNGUSA or the option to submit a question online.

We hope this information is useful to you, and below are some resources that we hope will also be of interest to you and your constituents:

- The American Lung Association is regularly updating its website with information about the coronavirus pandemic on lung.org/covid19.
- Information from the CDC around COVID-19 prevention can be found here.
- Learn what discoveries have been made about the coronavirus by American Lung Association through our medical research team here.

In addition to these resources, we are also offering weekly <u>webinars</u> designed to update patients with chronic lung disease about the COVID-19 pandemic. Listen and ask questions as Dr. Albert Rizzo, Chief Medical Officer, reviews key messages and shares important updates or recommendations. The webinars will be held each Monday at 1 pm Central. Registration is now open for <u>April 13th</u>. We hope you will join us.

If you or your office need anything on this issue or any other lung health issues, do not hesitate to reach out to me via Michael.Seilback@lung.org.

Let's continue to stay connected.

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