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Dr. Miner,

In light of the continuing need to find ways to constrain state spending for healthcare, including pharmaceuticals, we urge the Utah Department of Health to seek grants or other funding to carry on an effort begun last year by Representative Norman K Thurston. Specifically, we request that the department study how the state could develop a Canadian drug importation program to make lower cost drugs available to Medicaid and PEHP enrollees, as well as other citizens of the state. Our hope is that you could complete the study and submit a report to each of our committees by October 1, 2018.

Sincerely,

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