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Dear Elderly Advocacy Network,

My name is Hannah Hansen, and I am a student at the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire, currently enrolled in social work aging and the aged class. I am writing to express my strong support for expanding Medicare to ensure greater access to healthcare for older adults and vulnerable populations. As someone learning about social work and the well-being of older adults, I have seen the challenges that limited healthcare access creates for individuals and families.

Medicare plays a crucial role in providing essential health services to millions of Americans, yet many still struggle with gaps in coverage, high prescription drug costs, and inadequate long-term care options. Expanding Medicare to cover more services – such as dental, vision, and hearing care – would significantly improve the quality of life for older adults and those with disabilities. Additionally, lowering the eligibility age would help bridge the gap for those who cannot yet qualify but still face significant healthcare needs.

I urge you to support policies that:

1. Expand Medicare to include comprehensive coverage for dental, vision, and hearing care.
2. Lower the Medicare eligibility age to ensure more Americans receive affordable healthcare.

3. Cap out of pocket expenses for prescription drugs to make life-saving medications more accessible.

These steps would not only improve individual well-being but also reduce long-term healthcare costs by addressing health concerns before they become severe. Please prioritize this issue and advocate for policies that strengthen Medicare for all who depend on it.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I appreciate your dedication to serving our community and looking forward to your response on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Hannah Hansen

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