



October 4, 2023

The Honorable Kamala D. Harris  
Vice President of the United States  
President  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Vice President:

I am respectfully submitting the enclosed Report to Congress entitled "The Administration, Cost, and Impact of the Quality Improvement Organization Program for Medicare Beneficiaries for Fiscal Year 2021".

The statutory purpose of the Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) Program is to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, economy, and quality of services delivered to Medicare beneficiaries, and to ensure that services are reasonable and necessary. Section 1161 of the Social Security Act requires the Secretary to submit, by April 1, an annual report to Congress on the administration, cost, and impact of the QIO Program during the preceding fiscal year. This report describes the primary activities undertaken during fiscal year 2021.

I hope you find this report useful. I am sending an identical copy of this report to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-690-7627 if you have questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Melanie Anne Egorin", is written over a faint, larger blue ink signature that is partially obscured.

Melanie Anne Egorin, PhD  
Assistant Secretary for Legislation

Enclosure