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Dear Dr. Howell:

Thank you for your recent letter regarding the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children's (Committee) White Paper on health reform and newborn screening programs. A thorough response to this letter will be forthcoming upon a careful review of the report, which also makes several recommendations.

Please accept my personal thanks to you and the members of the Committee for your valuable work to improve the health of our Nation's infants and children.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Sebelius