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Dear Dr. Howell:

Thank you for your recent letters providing updates on the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children's (Committee) activities. A detailed response to each letter will be coming to you shortly.

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

Sincerely,

Kathleen Sebelius