

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0305

August 29, 2022

The Honorable Denis McDonough
Secretary
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Secretary McDonough,

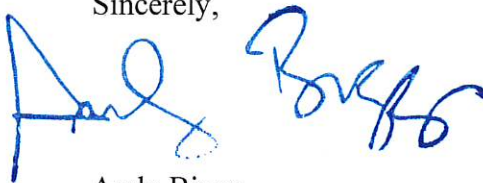
Please accept this invitation to participate in a Congressional forum on wait times at Department of Veterans Affairs healthcare facilities, veterans' access to community care, and accessibility to VA benefits. The forum will be hosted by myself, and several other Members of Congress interested in these issues, and will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2022.

It has come to my attention, as well as the various congressmen who will be present at the forum, that there continue to be issues within the department that have affected veterans' access to quality care around the country. Specifically in the greater Phoenix area, in my district, veterans are experiencing extensive wait times when seeking many types of care and are often refused community care it's when needed.

The congressmen present and I would appreciate your attendance at the forum to discuss ways we can work together to ensure that the needs of America's veterans are being met and that they are receiving the utmost attention and care.

Please contact my staff by Wednesday, September 7, 2022, to confirm your attendance.

Sincerely,



Andy Biggs
Member of Congress