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Testimony from Annette D. Boyer, R.Ph.

I am not representing a client.

I am a registered pharmacist, with prior experience as the Director of Medical and Pharmacy Affairs for a 2.5 million-member health plan. I am currently a senior pharmacy consultant to employers and public sector clients on pharmacy strategy, design and management.

I would like to address allergy as a health condition and impact on the workforce. I would also like to address the issue of looking at treatments not only from a direct cost perspective but the impact on indirect costs - productivity and safety. I would also like to address the need for a licensed professional to remain involved in diagnosis and management of allergy as a health condition.