

February 04, 2015

The Hemophilia Alliance Board of Directors  
1758 Allentown Road #183  
Lansdale, PA 19446

Dear Board of Directors,

Baxter International Inc. is committed to ensuring that patients obtain the most appropriate treatment based on their individual healthcare needs. This includes access to the full range of FDA approved hemophilia clotting factors and comprehensive hemophilia treatment centers, as well as choice of experienced pharmacy providers, including pharmacy programs administered by hemophilia treatment centers as part of the 340B drug discount program.

Hemophilia treatment centers are federally recognized facilities that provide a comprehensive model of care for people with bleeding disorders. Patients receive coordinated care within one facility which is typically comprised of a multi-disciplinary team of experts in hemophilia including hematologists, pediatricians, nurses, social workers and physical therapists. Research at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention documented a decrease in mortality and bleed-related hospitalization in men who visited a hemophilia treatment center.<sup>1</sup>

Hemophilia treatment centers are included in a specific category of HRSA grantees that participate in the 340B drug discount program. The 340B program has served as a source of funding for comprehensive hemophilia care and has helped hemophilia treatment centers provide access to high quality hemophilia care to all patients, both insured and uninsured.

Baxter continues to believe each patient has the right to select the hemophilia clotting factor and medical and pharmacy provider to meet their individual needs. Pharmacy programs administered by 340B eligible hemophilia treatment centers are an option that should be available to all patients.

Sincerely,



Peter O'Malley  
Vice President, Market Access  
Baxter BioScience, North America

Baxter Healthcare Corporation  
One Baxter Parkway / Deerfield, Illinois 60015  
T 847.948.2000

---

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1449458/>