

APPENDIX L: THANK YOU LETTER



August 2, 2006

Dennis S. O'Leary, MD
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Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations
One Renaissance Blvd.
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Dear Dr. O'Leary:

On behalf of Consumers Advancing Patient Safety (CAPS), our board and partners, I personally thank you for your generous gift of \$6,000 for scholarships to support consumer participation in the World Health Organization/Pan American Health Organization Patients for Patient Safety workshop held in San Francisco May 8-12, 2006. Your gift will enable us to further the mission and vision of CAPS to create global healthcare systems that are safe, compassionate and just.

Enclosed please find a token of our appreciation for your contributions to the work CAPS is doing to build a global network of consumers in partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO) World Alliance for Patient Safety. The first DVD is the *Patient Safety: Patient Voices* video filmed during the inaugural event of the WHO Patients for Patient Safety workshop held in London in November 2005. The second DVD is a photo journal of our work together at the WHO/Pan American Health Organization regional workshop held in San Francisco.

Consumers Advancing Patient Safety, incorporated in Illinois in 2002, has received recognition from the U.S. Internal Revenue Service as a tax exempt public charity under Section 501(c)(3) of the Tax Code. Donations to CAPS are fully deductible based on Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code less any goods or services provided in exchange for the contribution.

Once again, I thank and commend you for your support of CAPS. Please be assured that we will do our best to honor your contribution through continued commitment to our mission and vision.

Sincerely,

Mitchell L. Dvorak, MS, CAE
Executive Director