

Attachment A: Notice of Intent to Submit a Health Care Reform Proposal

If you intend to submit a proposal to the Blue Ribbon Commission for Health Care Reform, please complete and mail or email the “Notice of Intent to Submit a Proposal” form below by March 13, 2007, to:

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If known at this time, please provide a three-sentence description of the proposal that addresses what is being proposed, who and or what in the health system would be affected, and what the basic approach to reform would be.

The Option to Die in PEACE (Patient Ethical At-home Care Elective) proposes an extension of sanctioned and covered palliative care to the *near-terminal*, as determined by medical evaluation. Once qualified, any interested *individuals would elect to initiate care*—which would *not* require an imminent terminal diagnosis. Benefits include: 1) the option to die outside of an institution, without first failing in what becomes a last, inescapable hospitalization; 2) guaranteed choice, dignity, and pain-management when dying; 3) saving patients and families from the angst associated with deficiencies of institutionalized end of

¹ See “Key Author” in Definitions.

life treatment; 4) saving families and society the cost of institutionalized dying; 5) creating space for personal and social change in how we view and approach death.

The information provided on this form will be posted on the Commission's web site.