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To whom it may concern:

We represent The Skin Docs Dermatology and on behalf of our many patients who have Medicaid (SilverSummit, Anthem BCBS, HPN, Molina, and Medicaid of NV), we believe it is of utmost importance to remove unnecessary barriers to effective treatments, namely Opzelura cream. We treat many patients suffering from atopic dermatitis and vitiligo, both of which are much more effectively treated with Opzelura cream than alternatives (topical steroids, topical calcineurin inhibitors), cheaper than biologics (i.e. Dupixent, Adbry), and safer than oral JAK inhibitors (i.e. Rinvoq, Cibinqo), thereby improving the quality of life and mental health of our patients. Currently it is a long, frustrating, and sometimes impossible process trying to get Opzelura coverage for our Medicaid patients. We humbly request that you reconsider the current administrative obstacles in place and make it easier for our mutual patients to access the safer, more effective, and more cost-effective treatment of Opzelura.

Please feel free to contact our office for more information, questions, or concerns.

Sincerely,

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