

SAVE OUR STATES

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The Honorable Brett Guthrie
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Dear Chairmen Guthrie and Griffith:

Last month, Save Our States [launched](#) a campaign [calling out](#) the University of Miami Health System, including a [TV ad](#) and [UMBetrayedPatients.com](#), as an example of the misuse and abuse of taxpayer-support for healthcare programs. Today, we launched a campaign focused on Cleveland Clinic, with a new TV ad and [ClevelandClinicBetrayedPatients.com](#).

For too long, big hospitals have used their privileged position in society to soak up subsidies, set their own priorities, and then claim poverty and demand even more. They use smaller, often rural providers as the face of lobbying efforts for more funding that turns out to fuel consolidation. And when their rising costs drive up insurance premiums, they demand more taxpayer-funded subsidies.

The consequences of misguided healthcare priorities go beyond waste—they can be downright unhealthy and directly harmful for patients. The University of Miami once boasted the second-largest organ transplant center nationwide, a credit to the State of Florida and important resource for patients. However, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is in the process of [shutting it down](#) after “years of unsafe practices, poor training, chronic underperformance, understaffing, and paperwork errors.” One clerical error left a donated heart unused.

In its most recently available [nonprofit filing](#), the University of Miami reports nearly \$700 million in direct government grants. That does not include the benefits of tax exemption or programs like 340B, which allows the hospital to

buy drugs at deep discounts without passing savings on to patients. In all, the nonprofit system reported more than \$2.5 billion in healthcare revenues.

Chairman Bill Cassidy and the Senate HELP Committee released a [report](#) that examined Cleveland Clinic's use of 340B. It found the system receiving hundreds of millions of dollars in benefits each year. It clearly has plenty of resources, having built luxurious facilities in places like London and Abu Dhabi, and even its own art collection. Yet it has faced allegations of [deceptive billing](#), accusations of [overcharging](#) patients, and even reports of a secret settlement to [cover up](#) sexual assaults during exams.

Both of these hospital systems pay massive salaries to executives, spend lavishly on marketing, and have expanded facilities [overseas](#). Taxpayers subsidize it all, but these expenses do little to benefit American patients.

Save Our States urges congressional leaders to scrutinize spending at subsidized hospitals. Americans need health systems that respect taxpayers and put patients first. Now is the time for transparency and accountability.

Sincerely and cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Trent England". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping initial "T".

Trent England
Executive Director
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Cc: Republican members of the House Committee on Energy and Commerce
Subcommittee on Health and Republican members of the Florida and Ohio
Congressional Delegations