## **Email Template for Contacting Your Senator/Representative**

Hello Representative/Senator [LAST NAME],

My name is [FIRST & LAST NAME] and I am the [POSITION] at [PHARMACY NAME] in [CITY]. As a member of the Iowa Pharmacy Association, I wanted to reach out and pass along IPA's Legislative Priorities at the start of session in hopes of gaining your support.

(Insert personalized story of patient care at your practice or a unique aspect to your role as a pharmacist – if desired.)

Pharmacists have stepped up during the pandemic to provide many services such as adolescent immunizations and COVID-19 testing under authority granted by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. A major goal for this session is to ensure pharmacists can continue practicing at the top of their license by making these flexibilities permanent at the state level.

While pharmacists continue to expand the services they provide to patients, the detrimental tactics pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) employ continue to hurt patient access and increase the cost of prescription drugs. Following a landmark decision from the U.S. Supreme Court affirming state's abilities to regulate these drug middlemen, the opportunity has never been greater to bring relief to patients and pharmacies in lowa.

Thank you for your willingness to serve our district and the state of lowa. Do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions on these priorities or any pharmacy issues that may arise during session.

Respectfully,

**YOUR NAME**