**ZOOM MEETING REQUEST EMAIL**

SUBJECT: Constituent Meeting Request- Support HHT Care in Labor-HHS Bill

Dear [Senator / Representative] [Last Name],

My name is [Your Name], and I am a constituent from [Your City/State] reaching out to request a brief Zoom meeting with you or your staff to discuss a critical healthcare issue affecting thousands of families across the country — including mine.

I’m writing to urge you to sign onto an important **Dear Colleague letter** currently being circulated by [Sen. Richard Blumental (if Senate) // Reps Valerie Foushee (if House] in support of funding for the **HHT Centers of Excellence program** in the upcoming **FY26 Labor-HHS Appropriations bill**. This funding would help expand access to specialized, life-saving care for people with HHT — a rare and often underdiagnosed genetic disorder.

Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT) is the 2nd most common genetic bleeding disorder affecting more than 1.4 million people worldwide. The disorder results in malformed blood vessels to form in multiple internal organs as well the skin and mucous membranes. These malformed blood vessels have a high propensity for rupturing, and this results in severe, life-threatening bleeding in the brain and other organs.

**[ADD PERSONAL CONNECTION TO HHT…Are you a patient, family member, provider or caregiver? How does it affect you?]**

This program is a lifeline for patients like me [or: like my family member / friend] — providing early diagnosis, coordinated treatment, and improving long-term outcomes.

The deadline to sign the Dear Colleague letter is May 19, and your support could make a real difference in advancing care and research for the HHT community.

I would be deeply grateful for the opportunity to meet with you or a member of your staff to share more about this important issue. Please let me know if we can schedule a time to talk.

Thank you so much for your time and for your service.

Sincerely,

[Your Full Name]

[Your Address or ZIP code]

[Your Email]

[Your Phone Number]