



U.S. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

441 G St. N.W.
Washington, DC 20548

December 4, 2020

The Honorable Elizabeth Warren
United States Senate

Dear Senator Warren:

Thank you for your letter, jointly signed by Ranking Member Tammy Baldwin, Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, requesting that the Government Accountability Office review matters related to mandatory vocational requirements at drug and alcohol rehabilitation facilities that receive federal funding.

GAO accepts your request as work that is within the scope of its authority. At the current time we anticipate that staff with the required skills will be available to initiate an engagement in about five months. Your request has been assigned to Ms. Cindy Brown Barnes, Managing Director, Education, Workforce, and Income Security. Closer to the time GAO can start the engagement, Ms. Brown Barnes or a member of her team will contact Alex Davidson to confirm that this request continues to be your priority for us. As applicable, we will also be in contact with the cognizant Inspector General's office to ensure that we are not duplicating efforts. If an issue arises during this coordination, we will consult with you regarding its resolution.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Brown Barnes at 202-512-7215 or brownbarnesc@gao.gov, or Mr. David Lewis, Assistant Director, Congressional Relations, on my staff at 202-512-7176 or lewisd@gao.gov.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Orice Williams Brown". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Orice Williams Brown
Managing Director
Congressional Relations

cc: Alex Davidson

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