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Sample phone call to a U.S. Representative's office:

Hello! My name is x, and I am calling today to ask Representative X to cosponsor a bill that is important to me, **H.R. 1921, the Hearing Device Coverage Clarification Act**. This bill clarifies that fully implanted active middle ear hearing devices are prosthetics and not subject to Medicare's hearing aid coverage exclusion. This means that these devices currently are not covered by Medicare. H.R. 1921 would reverse that decision so that is why I am asking you to cosponsor this important bill.

Because it was considered novel technology, FDA gave expedited approval to fully implanted hearing devices in 2010 as prosthetics distinguishing them from simple hearing aids. But I can't access it because today Medicare calls this innovative technology a hearing aid.

Fully implanted active middle ear hearing devices are designed for people who do not benefit from hearing aids. Hearing aids do not work for me. I am worried about the consequences of not having access to technology that could enhance my hearing and enable me to lead a healthier, safer, and more independent life. (Add any personal detail)

I urge Representative X to meet with Brent Lucas, CEO of Envoy Medical, to learn more about this bill. To schedule a meeting, please contact Amy Pajula at apajula@envoymedical.com or Pattie DeLoatche at pdeloatche@sidley.com.

Cosponsoring this bill will help Medicare beneficiaries like me access technology that will help me hear and remain healthy, safe, engaged, and independent. To cosponsor H.R. 1921 please contact Meghan Plotz in Representative Michelle Fischbach's office at Meghan.Plotz@mail.house.gov or Meghan Mullon in Representative Angie Craig's office at (Meghan.Mullon@mail.house.gov).

Here is my name, phone number, and email address: