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CHA calls on the Administration and Congress to work together in support of the United States Postal Service

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Washington, DC – The Catholic Health Association of the United States (CHA) is deeply concerned about recent changes at the United States Postal Service (USPS) that have resulted in disruptions to mail delivery.

Reliable and timely mail delivery is essential to the millions of Americans who rely on the USPS to receive prescription medications. Many patients with chronic diseases who rely on the mail service are particularly vulnerable during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. An efficient and well-funded postal service is an essential part of efforts to protect the health and well-being of vulnerable persons during this time.

CHA welcomes the efforts in the House of Representatives to address the concerns with disrupted mail service and provide adequate funding for the postal service to carry out its essential functions. We urge the Senate and the Administration to join in these efforts and work together to ensure that those who rely on the postal service for any reason can be certain that this vital government service will continue to meet their needs.

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