

July 29, 2025

The Honorable Terri A. Sewell
1035 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Brian K. Fitzpatrick
271 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Sewell and Fitzpatrick,

On behalf of Vizient, Inc., I am pleased to offer again our endorsement for the *Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2025* ([H.R. 3890](#)). Your important, bipartisan legislation would make meaningful long-term investments in strengthening the physician workforce and expanding access to care in communities across the country.

[Vizient, Inc.](#), the nation's largest provider-driven healthcare performance improvement company, serves more than 65 percent of the nation's acute care providers, including 97 percent of the nation's academic medical centers, and more than 35 percent of the non-acute market. The Vizient contract portfolio represents \$140 billion in annual purchasing volume, enabling the delivery of cost-effective, high-value care. With its acquisition of Kaufman Hall in 2024, Vizient expanded its advisory services to help providers achieve financial, strategic, clinical and operational excellence. Headquartered in Irving, Texas, Vizient has offices throughout the United States.

Hospitals and health systems continue to face severe workforce challenges, including growing shortages of physicians, nurses and other clinical professionals. The Association of American Medical Colleges projects a shortage of up to 86,000 physicians by 2036.¹ While Congress has added 1,200 Medicare-supported Graduate Medical Education (GME) positions in recent years, further investment is needed to meet patient demand and expand training capacity.

Your bipartisan, bicameral legislation authorizes 14,000 new Medicare-supported GME slots over seven years, with priority given for hospitals training above their caps, rural hospitals, facilities in states with new medical schools and those in health professional shortage areas. To support rural access, the legislation requires a minimum allotment of new residency slots for hospitals that meet specific criteria. These include being located in a rural area, serving a community with limited access to care, being near a sole community hospital, or, starting in FY2032, offering a rural-focused training program for medical residents. The bill also establishes a grant program to support rural residency planning and development and directs the Comptroller General to recommend strategies to improve representation from rural, underserved and underrepresented communities.

Thank you for your continued leadership on this issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me at shoshana.krillow@vizientinc.com or 202-354-2607 if we can assist in advancing this important legislation.

Sincerely,



Shoshana Krilow
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¹ AAMC, The Complexities of Physician Supply and Demand (2024). <https://www.aamc.org/media/75236/download>

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The Honorable John Boozman
555 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins
413 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Raphael Warnock
717 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer
322 Hart Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Boozman, Warnock, Collins and Schumer,

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