

March 15, 2022

The Honorable Tom Carper
513 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Tim Scott
104 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Carper and Scott,

I am writing today to offer [Vizient's](#) support for the Hospital Inpatient Services Modernization Act (S.3792). Your bipartisan legislation would provide a two-year extension of the Acute Hospital Care at Home COVID-19 program that was established during the public health emergency (PHE) and require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to conduct a thorough review and issue new regulatory requirements for the program.

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In November 2020, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) introduced the Acute Hospital Care at Home program, which permitted acute-level care to be delivered to patients in the home for the duration of the COVID-19 PHE when an individual waiver was granted. With the current PHE declaration set to expire on April 16, the Hospital Inpatient Services Modernization Act would extend these waivers for two years after the end of the declared PHE and help maintain access to care. In addition, the bill would allow additional time for agencies and stakeholders to analyze the program and prepare for future payment models. Lastly, it would require that CMS establish regulations regarding health and safety requirements for the program within a year of the bill's enactment.

Vizient is proud to offer our support for your important legislation. The extension included in the Hospital Inpatient Services Modernization Act would allow providers to continue to provide needed care to patients in their homes.

Thank you for your ongoing leadership on this issue. Please do not hesitate to contact me at shoshana.krilow@vizientinc.com or 202-354-2607 if you have any questions about Vizient or if there is any way we can be of assistance in advancing this bill.

Sincerely,



Shoshana Krilow
Senior Vice President, Public Policy & Government Relations

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The Honorable Earl Blumenauer
1111 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Brad Wenstrup
2419 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representatives Blumenauer and Wenstrup,

I am writing today to offer [Vizient's](#) support for the Hospital Inpatient Services Modernization Act (H.R.7053). Your bipartisan legislation would provide a two-year extension of the Acute Hospital Care at Home COVID-19 program that was established during the public health emergency (PHE) and require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to conduct a thorough review and issue new regulatory requirements for the program.

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