

March 26, 2018

The Honorable Gene Green  
2470 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Michael Burgess, M.D.  
2336 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Green and Representative Burgess,

On behalf of Vizient, Inc., I am writing to offer our support for H.R. 5385 the *Children's Hospital Graduate Medical Education Support Reauthorization Act of 2018*. Your bipartisan legislation would reauthorize the vitally important Children's Hospital Graduate Medical Education (CHGME) Program for five years and provide ongoing, needed support for pediatric medical education.

Vizient is the nation's largest health care performance improvement company. We serve a diverse membership that includes academic medical centers, children's hospitals, community hospitals, integrated healthcare delivery networks and non-acute health care providers. Our headquarters are in Irving, Texas, with locations in Chicago, Washington, D.C., and other cities across the country.

Under your legislation, the 5-year reauthorization of CHGME would offer ongoing financial support and stability to children's hospitals. It would allow them to plan for and expand needed training for general pediatrics and pediatric specialties. Passage of this legislation would help ensure that participating facilities will have the resources to continue training needed physicians to maintain and improve care advances for children across the country.

Vizient is proud to offer our support and endorses passage of H.R. 5385. Please do not hesitate to contact me at [Shoshana.Krilow@Vizientinc.com](mailto: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 legislation.

We thank you for your continued support for children's hospitals and pediatric facilities across the country.

Sincerely,



Shoshana Krilow  
Vice President of Public Policy and Government Relations  
Vizient, Inc.