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The Honorable Debbie Stabenow
731 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Todd Young
185 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Stabenow and Young:

I am writing today to offer [Vizient's](#) support for the Social Determinants Accelerator Act. Your bipartisan legislation would take steps to better coordinate policy and provide funding to support interventions necessary to make improvements to social determinants of health.

Vizient, Inc. is the nation's largest health care performance improvement company. Vizient provides solutions and services that improve the delivery of high-value care by aligning cost, quality and market performance for more than 50% of the nation's acute care providers, which includes 95% of the nation's academic medical centers, and more than 20% of ambulatory providers. Vizient provides expertise, analytics, and advisory services, as well as a contract portfolio that represents more than \$100 billion in annual purchasing volume, to improve patient outcomes and lower costs. Headquartered in Irving, Texas, Vizient has offices throughout the United States.

The Social Determinants Accelerator Act would establish an interagency Social Determinants Council that would engage with stakeholders to better coordinate federal resources to identify effective interventions to improve social determinants of health. Additionally, the legislation would provide needed grant funding for state, local and tribal governments, consortiums and other qualifying entities to invest in addressing social determinants of health. Combined, these efforts will help to better target and coordinate limited resources to successfully invest in and make improvements to social determinants of health.

Vizient is proud to offer our support for your important legislation. Our hospital members are deeply connected to the communities they serve. Because of that mission-driven connection, our members are uniquely positioned to help identify and address many of the social determinants of health that impact the health of individuals and communities.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shoshana Krilow".

Shoshana Krilow
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