



The Honorable Jodey Arrington  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Arrington,

As the CEO of the Alliance for Women's Health and Prevention (AWHP), I am writing to express my sincere thanks for your support for the Nancy Gardner Sewell Medicare Multi-Cancer Early Detection (MCED) Screening Coverage Act (H.R.842), also known as the Sewell Act.

As you know, this legislation would be instrumental in expanding access to critical cancer screening tests for seniors across the country by ensuring Medicare coverage of FDA-approved MCED tests. As an organization focused on women's preventive health, we recognize the value of early detection in improving health outcomes for communities across the country, and believe that the expansion of access to MCED tests will have a tremendous impact in catching cancer for many women in its earliest, most treatable stage.

Consider these examples of the importance of early detection:

- While breast cancer is the second most common cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States, early detection significantly improves outcomes. In fact, the [5-year survival rate after stage 1 breast cancer diagnosis is 99%](#), underscoring the life-saving potential of early screening.
- Detecting cancer before symptoms arise can [reduce the need for more invasive treatments](#) in addition to [costs associated with treatment at later stages](#).

As such, AWHP is proud to be an advocate for the passage of the Sewell Act in the 119<sup>th</sup> Congress, building on our [support](#) for the House Ways and Means Committee's markup and unanimous passage of the legislation last year. We are encouraged by this momentum and by the broad, bipartisan support for the bill, which has over 240 co-sponsors in the House and over 50 co-sponsors in the Senate.

We look forward to continuing to work alongside policymakers and advocates to expand access to MCED tests for everyone, including through continued advocacy for the passage of the Sewell Act. We appreciate your ongoing attention to this important issue.

Respectfully,

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