

September 16, 2025

Dear Chairman Smith, Ranking Member Neal, Chairman Guthrie, Ranking Member Pallone, and members of the committees:

The mission of the Cancer Support Community is to uplift and strengthen people impacted by cancer by providing support, fostering compassionate communities, and breaking down barriers to care. It is our devotion to this mission that has led to our support for H.R. 842, the Nancy Gardner Sewell Medicare Multi-Cancer Early Detection Screening Act. We applaud the House Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce for your work on this bill this week and urge its swift passage into law.

Just last month, our organization authored an <u>op-ed in The Hill</u>, in which we wrote, "This policy would mark a turning point in the fight against cancer, particularly for older adults who face the highest risk and are often diagnosed in later stages. The support is overwhelming. More than 550 organizations representing cancer patients, providers, researchers and advocates have urged lawmakers to seize this moment. Congress has already thoroughly vetted this bill and cleared it for passage."

With this bill, Congress has an opportunity to continue its historic commitment to enable access to cancer screening and help improve early detection and cancer outcomes for those in our community. Your work this week is critical to that mission and there is no reason to delay passing this bill. We strongly urge your expeditious support.

Sincerely,

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