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

The Association of Cancer Care Centers (ACCC) is pleased to lend its continued and strong support to H.R. 842, the Nancy Gardner Sewell Medicare Multi-Cancer Early Detection (MCED) Screening Coverage Act.

ACCC is a leading education and advocacy organization dedicated to the cancer care community. ACCC is viewed as a well-established and highly respected organization within the oncology industry, built from our 50+ year history of serving cancer care teams and the patients they support. ACCC's current membership base encompasses 45,000+ cancer care professionals from more than 1,700 different member organizations—in total, representing approximately two-thirds of all oncology programs and practices in the U.S.

Cancer centers throughout the country are at the heart of tremendous advances in cancer care, but they also witness the striking difference between patients whose cancers were diagnosed at earlier versus later stages. When diagnosed at a late-stage, cancer patients are more likely to undergo debilitating and expensive treatments, with lower survival rates. Fortunately, scientific advances in MCED technology have given us the opportunity to detect more cancers at earlier, more treatable stages. Yet seniors currently lack meaningful access to these transformational cancer detection tools without Congressional action.

H.R. 842 would allow seniors to access blood tests that can diagnose dozens of types of cancer from a simple blood draw. By passing this legislation, Congress can help improve outcomes for cancer patients and reduce the financial burden of cancer by preventing late-stage cancer diagnoses. There is no reason to delay action on legislation that has garnered the support of hundreds of patients and provider advocacy organizations and is cosponsored by more than two-thirds of the House and more than 60 Senators.

Thank you for your continued attention to policy that can improve the outcomes for patients with cancer. We urge you to advance this legislation expeditiously.

Sincerely,

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