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Senator Gay, Senator McBride, and Members of the Senate Health & Social Services Committee,

I am representing the Medical Society of Delaware. MSD supports [SB 223](#) and providing innovating patient centered models leveraging paramedicine and EMT services for non-emergency care. Given that 80% of health outcomes are driven by social determinants of health, MSD appreciates the value of this program in identifying appropriate patients for in-home care to improve health outcomes in areas readmissions, fall risk, diabetes, and other chronic conditions.

However, we do stress the importance of physician led care as a critical component of health outcomes and ask this committee and the General Assembly to ensure the sustainability and viability of the physician workforce when enacting health care legislation.

Thank you for your commitment to access to care for Delawareans.

Sincerely,

Robert Varipapa, MD
President, Medical Society of Delaware

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