



March 18, 2019

The Honorable Gus Bilirakis
United States House of Representatives
2227 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kathy Castor
United States House of Representatives
2052 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Anna Eshoo
United States House of Representatives
202 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Jamie Herrera Beutler
United States House of Representatives
2352 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representatives Bilirakis, Castor, Eshoo and Herrera Beutler:

Nemours Children's Health System (Nemours) is writing to express our support for **the Advancing Care for Exceptional Kids Act of 2019 (ACE Kids Act) (H.R. 1226)**. We appreciate your leadership in advancing such an important bill that aims to improve care for children with medical complexity enrolled in the Medicaid program.

Nemours is an internationally recognized children's health system that owns and operates the Nemours/Alfred I. duPont Hospital for Children in Wilmington, Del., and Nemours Children's Hospital in Orlando, Fla., along with outpatient facilities in six states, delivering pediatric primary, specialty, and urgent care to children from all 50 states. Established as The Nemours Foundation through the legacy and philanthropy of Alfred I. duPont, Nemours provides pediatric clinical care, research, education, advocacy, and prevention programs to families in the communities we serve. Our mission is to help all children grow up healthy and have the best chance for success in life.

The ACE Kids Act provides a voluntary state option to establish patient-centered, pediatric-focused health homes for children with medical complexity. We believe this approach would enhance care coordination across multiple providers and services and provide a better care experience for the children and families we serve.

Nemours thanks you for championing such a critical piece of legislation, and we look forward to working with you in the future to positively impact children's health.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniella Gratale".

Daniella Gratale, MA
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