#### **NILA Member Talking Points**

# Reforming and Enhancing Sustainable Updates to Laboratory Testing Services (RESULTS) Act

Thank you for your interest in contacting your members of Congress about the importance of passing the RESULTS Act! You can either send an email through your legislators' official contact form or call their D.C. Office.

First, you need to identify your legislators if you don't already know who they are:

- Find your House Representative using your Zip Code <u>here</u>
- Find your two Senators <u>here</u>

Next, check to see if your legislators have already cosponsored the RESULTS Act. You can find a list of Senate cosponsors <u>here</u> and House cosponsors <u>here</u>. If your legislator is a cosponsor, navigate to OPTION 2 below for the correct email template.

Following your outreach, email NILA at <u>nila@nila-usa.org</u> to share that you contacted your representative and senators. Please be sure to include the name of your members of Congress in the communication. If you receive a response, please forward it to <u>nila@nila-usa.org</u>.

## **Telephone Call Talking Point Instructions**

You can be connected to your legislators through the U.S. Capitol Switchboard at: (202) 224-3121. Personalize the talking points below by replacing the yellow highlighted information with information specific to you and your laboratory. Please feel free to include other information about how your laboratory would be impacted by future reimbursement cuts.

# **OPTION 1 [Legislator is not a cosponsor]**

- I am a constituent and [your role] at [name of your laboratory] in [state] and I am calling to urge Representative/Senator's Name to cosponsor the Reforming and Enhancing Sustainable Updates to Laboratory Testing Services (RESULTS) Act. The bill number for the RESULTS Act is S. 2761 in the Senate or H.R. 5269 in the House [depending on if calling House or Senate].
- Clinical laboratories are facing as much as a 15 percent cut to many of the most common clinical laboratory tests on January 1, 2026, and my laboratory needs your help to stop these cuts before they go into effect. The RESULTS Act is a bipartisan bill that will do this!
- [Include information about how cuts affect your laboratory]
- The RESULTS Act will protect laboratories from imminent damaging cuts and will permanently repair the current flawed system.
- Without congressional action, further cuts to laboratory services will go into effect in January. To protect our nation's laboratory infrastructure and to ensure it is prepared to address any future public health crisis Congress must enact the RESULTS Act before the end of the year. Please cosponsor this important legislation.
- [Name of Laboratory] is also a member of the National Independent Laboratory
  Association (NILA), which represents regional and community clinical laboratories that often serve communities and patient populations not adequately served by large independent

laboratories—including rural areas, underserved city neighborhoods, mid- and small-sized cities and municipalities, congregate facilities, and critical access hospitals.

- Is there a member of the staff with whom NILA can follow up to share further details? [Ask for the appropriate staff member's name and contact information and share with NILA at nila@nila-usa.org]
- Thank you for your time and for making [Representative/Senator's name] aware of my concerns.

### **OPTION 2: Existing Cosponsor**

- I am a constituent and [your role] at [name of your laboratory] in [state] and I am calling to express my gratitude for [Representative/Senator's Name]'s co-sponsorship of the Reforming and Enhancing Sustainable Updates to Laboratory Testing Services (RESULTS) Act.
- Today, I urge [Representative/Senator's Name] to take one more crucial step in ensuring the passage of the RESULTS Act by contacting committee and congressional leadership and asking them to bring the RESULTS Act to the floor. Now is the time to act to get the RESULTS Act passed by the end of this year.
- Clinical laboratories like ours are currently facing the looming threat of potentially drastic cuts to reimbursement, set to take effect on January 1, 2026.
- Without congressional action in the form of the RESULTS Act this year, we are poised to witness devastating cuts to laboratory services.
- [Include information about how cuts affect your laboratory]
- As you know, Congress has acted to delay these cuts several times and the RESULTS Act represents a long-term sustainable solution for the clinical laboratory infrastructure and the Medicare program.
- As a constituent and employer in our state, I implore your boss to continue safeguarding our nation's laboratory infrastructure from further devastating cuts. Please ask [Representative/Senator's Name] to take the critical step of using his/her influence to urge congressional leadership to ensure its swift enactment by Congress this year.
- [Laboratory Name] is also a member of the National Independent Laboratory
  Association (NILA), which represents regional and community clinical laboratories that often serve communities and patient populations not adequately served by large independent laboratories—including rural areas, underserved city neighborhoods, mid- and small-sized cities and municipalities, congregate facilities, and critical access hospitals.
- Thank you for your time and for making [Representative/Senator's Name] aware of my asks.