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## Subject: Join me at CAP's Upcoming Virtual Hill Day on May 3

Dear Colleagues,

I'm inviting you to join me in attending the CAP's Virtual Hill Day, which is an important mechanism in amplifying your voice and letting your member of Congress know the issues critical to pathologists.

### Our voice is stronger together!

This year's Virtual Hill Day prep and the virtual Hill Day will be held on Monday, May 2, and Tuesday, May 3, respectively.

### Register for the 2022 Pathologists Leadership Summit and Virtual Hill Day [Here](#)

- Without Congressional action, pathologists will face another 3% cut in all pathology services in 2023. While Congress contemplates a long-term fix to this problem, temporary relief is needed for 2023. Congress needs to hear from you to motivate them to act before the cut takes effect.
- Resident Physician Shortage Reduction Act of 2021 (S. 834/H.R. 2256): It is essential we have an ongoing supply of new pathologists entering the workforce as we move forward. Expanding the number of Graduate Medical Education (GME) slots is key to helping address this critical shortage. This serious shortage will only grow without the funding and commitment to expanding GME slots.
- Prepare for, and Respond to Existing Viruses, Emerging New Threats, and (PREVENT) Pandemics Act: The pandemic is not over, and we need to ensure we are better prepared for the next one. Congress must work on modernizing and strengthening the supply chain, addressing social determinates of health, increasing genomic sequencing, analytics, and public health surveillance of pathogens, develop strategies for epidemic forecasting and outbreak analytics by the CDC, improve access to specimen samples and diagnostic tests, and modernize clinical trials.

I am hoping you will join me and our fellow pathology colleagues from across the state in representing our wonderful profession and the patients we serve at the Hill Day in DC.

Sincerely,

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