

October 24, 2013

The Honorable Greg Walden
United States House of Representatives
2182 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Walden:

On behalf of McKesson Corporation, I would like to thank you for signing on as an original cosponsor of H.R. 3303, the *Sensible Oversight For Technology Which Advances Regulatory Efficiency (SOFTWARE) Act*. This bipartisan bill provides critical clarity regarding the regulation of a broad array of health IT.

As you are aware, under the current law, the Food and Drug Administration regulates all health IT under the broader category of “medical devices,” a term that was defined by existing statute enacted in the 1970’s. H.R. 3303 creates a regulatory framework that recognizes the different categories of health IT solutions and focuses FDA oversight on the technology that poses the greater risk to patient safety. The legislation will promote patient safety while continuing to foster innovative and critical medical advancements that will improve the quality and efficiency of health care.

As the largest health IT company in the world, McKesson is actively engaged in the transformation of healthcare from a system burdened by paper to one empowered by interoperable electronic solutions that improve patient safety, reduce the cost and variability of care and advance healthcare efficiency. The SOFTWARE Act is consistent with our objectives in this regard, and is a logical step forward in helping to achieve a modern healthcare system.

We applaud the leadership that you have brought to this important issue and look forward to working with you and your staff as H.R. 3303 moves through the legislative process.

Sincerely,



Ann Richardson Berkey