



November 16, 2020

President-elect Joseph R. Biden
Vice President-elect Kamala Harris
Biden-Harris Transition Team
1401 Constitution Ave NW
Washington, DC 20230

President-elect Biden and Vice President-elect Harris:

Thank you for your leadership and your willingness to step forward in the service of our nation. As you know, the COVID-19 pandemic has presented a challenge unlike any we have encountered in decades. It will take the continued, focused effort of our best healthcare experts and government leaders to turn the tide and realize sustained success against this virus. Today, I offer to you the talent, insights, and expertise of Minnesota's Medical Alley community. We look forward to the opportunity to assist you and your administration in tackling the COVID-19 pandemic.

While we do not know when this pandemic will end, the Medical Alley community has been leading this fight. Medical Alley is The Global Epicenter of Health Innovation and Care™, and we have been in the fight developing new tests and therapies, hosting clinical trials, and delivering the PPE and ventilators needed to save lives. Our leaders include many names you know well, such as the Mayo Clinic, 3M, Medtronic, Ecolab, and the University of Minnesota. More importantly, Medical Alley is home to many care delivery, benefit plan, medical technology, biotechnology, and digital health innovators – all collaborating and working together to envision and help define healthcare transformation.

We like to say, if you want to see what healthcare will look like tomorrow, please visit Medical Alley today.

Medical Alley is the nation's test bed for health innovation, having been recognized by the Smithsonian National Museum of American History as one of America's great "Places of Invention" – the only one for healthcare. Today, the Medical Alley community is working together to envision a new patient experience, build economic models for value-based care, redefine our medical supply chain, and change the trajectory of health inequities. Healthcare transformation is our goal.

This report, [**IMPACT: Medical Alley and the COVID-19 Pandemic**](#), captures the incredible response of Medical Alley. As a community, Medical Alley has demonstrated the leadership, innovation, and execution worthy of being recognized as The Global Epicenter of Health Innovation and Care™. Despite the uncertainty of these trying times, Medical Alley continues to

lead the transformation of healthcare and drive the changes that move all of us forward, define the healthcare system of tomorrow, and help ensure we are better prepared for what lies ahead.

We are ready and willing to brief, or provide virtual overview to, the recently appointed COVID Task Force on any specific aspect of Medical Alley's engagement with the response to the virus.

Again, we look forward to working with your administration to continue bringing the expertise and innovation of Medical Alley to help meet – and defeat – the challenge of COVID-19.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Shaye Mandle', is positioned below the word 'Sincerely,'.

Shaye Mandle
President & CEO
The Medical Alley Association

cc: Members of the Biden-Harris COVID-19 Task Force