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## Send to Champions and Stakeholders to Develop an NMDoH Screening Program

Greetings,

I am emailing because I believe we need a strong NMDoH screening program to address the health-related needs of our patients.

We know health outcomes are influenced by factors outside of the doctor's office.

That's why there is a big push for the health care sector to screen patients for the non-medical drivers of health (NMDoH). In fact, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services recently released a call to action to address health-related needs, including NMDoH screening.

While diagnosing and treating non-medical needs should not be the sole responsibility of the healthcare system, I believe our healthcare setting is a valuable community partner, and thus shares responsibility in identifying patients' NMDoH-related needs and the risk factors by which they arise.

Thus, we need an NMDoH screening program.

We are utilizing an action pack from the *Salud America*! team at UT Health San Antonio to explore how we can achieve such a screening program. Here is their fact sheet on the issue (<a href="https://bit.ly/nmdohfacts">https://bit.ly/nmdohfacts</a>) and here is the action pack with additional materials (<a href="https://bit.ly/nmdoh">https://bit.ly/nmdoh</a>).

Would you be willing to meet to discuss how we can start NMDoH screening in our healthcare setting to address the NMDoH-related needs of our patients?

Please let me know at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for caring for our patients,

[YOUR NAME, TITLE, CONTACT INFO]