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ZIEGLER ADVISES ESAC ON ITS ACQUISITION BY ICF

CHICAGO, IL – NOVEMBER 8, 2021 – Ziegler, a specialty investment bank, is pleased to announce it served as the exclusive financial advisor to Enterprise Science and Computing (ESAC) on its acquisition by ICF (NASDAQ: [ICFI](#)), a global consulting and digital services provider.

Through strong partnerships with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the National Institutes of Health, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Food and Drug Administration and more, ESAC successfully enables interoperability across health IT systems, increases the availability and functionality of health data, and leads the implementation of new electronic clinical quality measurement standards for healthcare.

ESAC provides research data management, bioinformatics, and healthcare information technology solutions for government, commercial, and academic clients. Headquartered in Rockville, Maryland, their mission is to play a vital role in helping clinicians, scientists, and researchers across the globe improve all aspects of human health.

Mark Turco, Managing Director in Ziegler's Healthcare Corporate Finance Practice stated, "Since 2006, ESAC has helped Federal health agencies and other healthcare stakeholders address the surge in health data and data complexity. ESAC's partnership with ICF provides a tremendous opportunity to further improve the quality and efficiency of healthcare and health research, and we are thrilled to have represented ESAC in this transaction."

Anand Basu, President of ESAC stated, "We chose to partner with Ziegler based on their deep healthcare domain expertise and we thank them for providing valuable strategic and financial advice throughout the sale process."

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Mark Turco is a Managing Director with Ziegler's Healthcare Corporate Finance Practice. Mr. Turco specializes in advising healthcare information technology and healthcare services companies on a spectrum of strategic and financing alternatives, including merger and acquisitions, capital raising transactions and partnership development.

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