

Blumenauer Health Care Legislative Accomplishments in the 114th Congress

Legislation:

Legislation, Enacted Into Law:

- *H.R. 3243: PACE Pilot Act:* Bipartisan legislation to expand the Program of All-Inclusive Care (PACE) program.
 - Enacted into law on November 5, 2015

Legislation, Passed by the House:

- *H.R. 2570: Strengthening Medicare Advantage through Innovation and Transparency for Seniors Act of 2015:* Bipartisan legislation to establish a Value-Based Insurance Design (VBID) pilot program to test reducing or eliminating cost-sharing for seniors for high-value medications.
 - Passed the House on June 17, 2015
- *H.R. 2582: Seniors' Health Care Plan Protection Act of 2015:* Bipartisan legislation to direct the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to update their Medicare Advantage (MA) risk-adjustment process.
 - Passed the House June 17, 2015
- *H.R. 5452: Native American Health Savings Improvement Act:* Bipartisan legislation to allow eligible for Indian Health Service assistance to qualify for health savings accounts.
 - Passed the House June 21, 2016

Legislation, Passed by the Ways & Means Committee:

- *H.R. 5942: End Dialysis Patient Access to Integrated Care, Empowerment, Nephrologists, and Treatment Services (PATIENTS) Demonstration Act of 2016:* Bipartisan legislation to provide integrated care for Medicare beneficiaries with end-stage renal disease (ESRD).

Introduced Legislation:

- *H.R. 1342: Home Health Care Planning Improvement Act:* Would allow nurse practitioners and physician assistants to certify patient eligibility for Medicare home health services.
- *H.R. 1559: Health Outcomes, Planning, and Education (HOPE) for Alzheimer's Act of 2015:* Would require Medicare to cover comprehensive Alzheimer's disease care planning services.
- *H.R. 1608: Lymphedema Treatment Act:* Would require Medicare to cover compression stockings for Lymphedema treatment.
- *H.R. 3220: Medicare Common Access Card:* Would establish a smart card pilot program under the Medicare program.

- *H.R. 3356 Safe Food for Seniors Act*: Would require skilled nursing facilities and nursing homes to employ a registered dietician as a condition of Medicare participation.
- *H.R. 4602 Protecting Seniors Access to Proper Care Act of 2015*: Would remove the requirement for physicians and other eligible healthcare professionals (*i.e.*, Dentists) to be enrolled in the Medicare program to order or refer items or services to Medicare Beneficiaries.
- *H.R. 4756 Promoting Access to Diabetic Shoes Act*: Would allow nurse practitioners to document the need for Medicare beneficiaries to be prescribed diabetic shoes.
- *H.R. 5194: Safe Drug Disposal Tax Credit Act of 2016*: Would offer a tax credit to offset the costs of starting or maintaining a prescription drug take back program.
- *H.R. 5555 Personalize Your Care Act 2.0*: Would strengthen end-of-life care by promoting a new advanced illness management model of care; improve the accessibility of advanced directives in electronic health records, and provide resources to families and patients.
- *H.R. 5652 Access to Better Care Act*: Would remove cost sharing requirements for preventive services provided to manage chronic disease in high-deductible health plans.
- *H. Res 850 Recognizing suicide as a public health problem and expressing support for designation of September as "National Suicide Prevention Month."*
- *H.R. 6015 Primary Care Enhancement Act of 2016*: Would provide for direct primary care services and provider fees.