HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: November 7, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

- The Senate meets in a pro-forma session.
- The House meets in a pro-forma session.

Health policy update:

- Drug pricing and Inflation Reduction Act-related items
  - The Hill (Opinion): How Medicare beneficiaries were duped by Rx reform - https://thehill.com/opinion/healthcare/3720214-how-medicare-beneficiaries-were-duped-by-rx-reform/
  - Health Affairs: Medicare Drug Price Negotiation: Key Decisions To Reach A “Fair Price” - https://www.healthaffairs.org/content/forefront/medicare-drug-price-negotiation-key-decisions-reach-fair-price

- Nurse staffing

- Organ donation and transplantation items
  - Still looking for House Oversight report

- Vison/dental care in Medicare-related items

- Physical rehabilitation
  - No new items

- Hospital and physician payment-related items

- Nursing home quality initiative

- Health equity-related items
  - Healio: ‘We have to do better’: Liver health equity demands research investment to match burden - https://www.healio.com/news/gastroenterology/20221106/we-have-to-do-better-liver-health-equity-demands-research-investment-to-match-burden

- Hospital merger news

- Telehealth news


- **Congress updates**