

HEALTH CARE POLICY UPDATE: JUNE 10, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

- The Senate is not in session.
- The House is not in session.

Health policy update:

- BBB drug pricing and drug price negotiation items
 - Advisory Board: Drug launch prices are climbing 20%—every year - <https://www.advisory.com/daily-briefing/2022/06/10/drug-prices>
 - Stat News (Opinion): Pursuit of profits is driving drug companies to break the 340B law - <https://www.statnews.com/2022/06/10/pursuit-of-profits-is-driving-drug-companies-to-break-the-340b-law/>
- Nurse staffing
 - The State Journal-Register: How a law signed in May will tackle health care shortages in rural Illinois counties - <https://www.sjr.com/story/news/politics/state/2022/06/10/illinois-law-aims-give-rural-health-care-providers-financial-aid/7570112001/>
 - McKnight's Senior Living: Bill aims to expose business, hiring practices of temporary staffing agencies - <https://www.mcknightsseniorliving.com/home/news/bill-aims-to-expose-business-hiring-practices-of-temporary-staffing-agencies/>
- STIs
 - No new items
- Colon cancer-related items
 - AAAS: New blood test could spare thousands of colon cancer patients from unnecessary chemotherapy - <https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/955322>
- Organ donation and transplantation items
 - Still looking for House Oversight report

- CNN: Every day, 17 people die waiting for a donor organ. 3D printers could change that - <https://www.cnn.com/2022/06/10/health/3d-printed-organs-bioprinting-life-itself-wellness-scn/index.html>
- Vision/dental care in Medicare-related items
 - No new items
- Physical rehabilitation
 - No new items
- Hospital and physician payment-related items
 - AHA: Report details initial findings from rural maternal health model - <https://www.aha.org/news/headline/2022-06-09-report-details-initial-findings-rural-maternal-health-model>
 - Healthleaders: AHA Unhappy with Inadequate Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Payment Rate Increase – <https://www.healthleadersmedia.com/revenue-cycle/aha-unhappy-inadequate-inpatient-rehabilitation-facility-payment-rate-increase>
- Nursing home quality initiative
 - AARP: Inside the 'Staffing Apocalypse' Devastating U.S. Nursing Homes - <https://www.aarp.org/caregiving/health/info-2022/labor-shortage-nursing-homes/>
 - Fortune: Medicaid weighs attaching strings to nursing home payments to improve patient care - <https://fortune.com/2022/06/10/medicaid-nursing-home-payments-patient-care-biden-administration/>
 - Skilled Nursing News: Nursing Home Closures Hit Smaller Markets as Financial, Staffing Crisis Deepens Across Industry - <https://skillednursingnews.com/2022/06/nursing-home-closures-hit-smaller-markets-as-financial-staffing-crisis-deepens-across-industry/>