HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: JUNE 3, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

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

Health policy update:

- BBB drug pricing and drug price negotiation items

- Nurse staffing
  - Atlanta Journal-Constitution: Gender pay gap for RNs increases during pandemic, with men making even more - https://www.ajc.com/pulse/gender-pay-gap-for-

Becker’s Hospital Review: 7 schools launching nursing programs - https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/nursing/7-schools-launching-nursing-programs.html


Nurse.org: Vanderbilt is Now Training Truck Drivers and EVS Workers To Be Medical Assistants - https://nurse.org/articles/vanderbilt-training-truck-drivers-evs/

- STIs
  - No new items

- Colon cancer-related items
  - No new items

- Organ donation and transplantation items
  - Still looking for House Oversight report
• Vison/dental care in Medicare-related items
  o No new items

• Physical rehabilitation
  o No new items

• Hospital and physician payment-related items
  o Skilled Nursing News: Medicare SNF Spending Jumps 4.4% Despite Lowest Number of Beneficiaries in a Decade - https://skillednursingnews.com/2022/06/medicare-snf-spending-jumps-4-4-despite-lowest-number-of-beneficiaries-in-a-decade/

• Nursing home quality initiative
  o No new items