HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: JULY 15, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

- The Senate is not in session.

- The House reconvened at 9 a.m. for legislative business. The chamber is expected to consider a measure under suspension of the rules. It is also expected to consider a bill (HR 8296) that would legalize abortion before fetal viability and a bill (HR 8297) that would prohibit individuals from acting under their state's laws to prevent an abortion in a state where the service is legal.

  o Bills:

    - HR 8296 — Women’s Health Protection Act
    - HR 8297 — Ensuring Access to Abortion Act
    - HR 8351 — Formula Act

Health policy update:

- BBB drug pricing and drug price negotiation items


  o Washington Post: Manchin says he won’t support new climate spending or tax hikes on wealthy - https://www.washingtonpost.com/us-policy/2022/07/14/manchin-climate-tax-bbb/

  o Washington Post: Democrats’ economic package may have just turned into a health-care bill - https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/07/15/democrats-economic-package-may-have-just-turned-into-health-care-bill/
- **The Hill (Opinion)**: Build Back Better is better off dead - [https://thehill.com/opinion/white-house/3559227-build-back-better-is-better-off-dead/](https://thehill.com/opinion/white-house/3559227-build-back-better-is-better-off-dead/)
- **Roll Call**: Manchin upends effort for a downsized ‘Build Back Better’ - [https://rolcall.com/2022/07/14/manchin-upends-effort-for-a-downsized-build-back-better/](https://rolcall.com/2022/07/14/manchin-upends-effort-for-a-downsized-build-back-better/)
- **Roll Call**: Reconciliation talks so far quiet on Medicaid expansion - [https://rolcall.com/2022/07/14/push-for-medicaid-home-health-resumes-in-reconciliation-talks/](https://rolcall.com/2022/07/14/push-for-medicaid-home-health-resumes-in-reconciliation-talks/)

- Nurse staffing

o **Bloomberg**: Nursing Homes Seek Latitude on Staff Mandate, Funds to Meet It - https://news.bloomberglaw.com/daily-labor-report/nursing-homes-seek-latitude-on-staff-mandate-funds-to-meet-it


• **STIs**
  - No new items

• Colon cancer-related items
  - **EurekAlert!**: Study suggests that c. difficile drives some colorectal cancers - https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/958680

• Organ donation and transplantation items
  - **Still looking for House Oversight report**
  - **Science Daily**: Bacteria in donor organs complicate immune response after transplantation - https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2022/07/220714145149.htm

• Vison/dental care in Medicare-related items

• Physical rehabilitation
  - No new items

• Hospital and physician payment-related items
  - **Managed Healthcare Executive**: The Oncology Care Model and Its Successor - https://www.managedhealthcareexecutive.com/view/the-oncology-care-model-and-its-successor
Nursing home quality initiative


- EurekAlert!: Innovative tool targets avoidable hospitalizations of nursing home residents with existing nursing home EHR information - [https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/958783](https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/958783)