HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: JULY 20, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

- The Senate convenes at 10 a.m. Following leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Gregory Brian Williams to be a U.S. district judge for the District of Delaware. At 11:30 a.m., the Senate will vote on agreeing to the Schumer motion to invoke cloture on the Williams nomination. At 2:30 p.m., the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Williams nomination, if cloture is invoked, and on agreeing to the Schumer motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Natasha C. Merle to be a U.S. district judge for the Eastern District of New York. Additional votes are expected.
  - Nominations:
    - Gregory Brian Williams to be a U.S. district judge for the District of Delaware
    - Natasha C. Merle to be a U.S. district judge for the Eastern District of New York
- The House reconvenes at 10 a.m. for legislative business. The chamber is expected to complete consideration of a bill (HR 8294) that would provide appropriations for six bills for FY 2023. The House is also expected to consider a bill (HR 8373) that would affirm the statutory right to obtain or provide contraceptives.
  - Bills:
    - HR 8294 — Fiscal 2023 Six-Bill Appropriations Package
    - HR 8373 — A bill to protect a person’s ability to access contraceptives and to engage in contraception, and to protect a health care provider’s ability to promote contraceptives, contraception, and information related to contraception.

Health policy update:

- BBB drug pricing and drug price negotiation items


- Nurse staffing


- STIs
  - No new items

- Colon cancer-related items
  - No new items

- Organ donation and transplantation items
  - Still looking for House Oversight report
  - No new items

- Vision/dental care in Medicare-related items
  - No new items

- Physical rehabilitation
  - No new items

- Hospital and physician payment-related items

  - Bloomberg: Democrats Move to Delay Obamacare Premium Rise, Create New Cliff - https://www.bgov.com/next/news/RFBCP5T0AFB4


• Nursing home quality initiative


  - Skilled Nursing News: Federal Staffing Minimums Could Cost the Nursing Home Industry $10B - [https://skillednursingnews.com/2022/07/federal-staffing-minimums-could-cost-the-nursing-home-industry-10b/?euid=e0557ca2d3&utm_source=snn-newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=f2a19054f1&mc_cid=f2a19054f1&mc_eid=e0557ca2d3](https://skillednursingnews.com/2022/07/federal-staffing-minimums-could-cost-the-nursing-home-industry-10b/?euid=e0557ca2d3&utm_source=snn-newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=f2a19054f1&mc_cid=f2a19054f1&mc_eid=e0557ca2d3)