HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: JULY 27, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

- The Senate convenes at 10 a.m. Following leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Schumer, D-N.Y., motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the semiconductor incentives and science research and development package (HR 4346) with the Schumer substitute amendment no. 5135. At 11:30 a.m., the Senate will vote on agreeing to a motion to waive a Sanders, I-Vt., budget point of order (if offered) in relation to HR 4346 and on passage of HR 4346, via motion to concur with the substitute amendment. At 4:30 p.m., the Senate will vote on agreeing to the Schumer, D-N.Y., motion to invoke cloture on the Schumer motion to concur in the House amendment to the veterans' toxic exposure benefits bill (S 3373), with a Schumer amendment no. 5148.

  o Bills:
    - HR 4346 — Semiconductor incentives and science innovation package
    - S 3373 — Honoring our PACT Act

- The House reconvenes at 10 a.m. for legislative business. The chamber is expected to consider a bill (HR 3771) that would authorize two grant programs to support heart disease research and awareness among the South Asian population of the U.S., a bill (HR 5118) that would respond to droughts and wildfires in the Western United States, and a bill (HR 6929) that would restore the full vested monthly benefits for eligible participants of certain Delphi pension plans.

  o Bills:
    - HR 3771 — South Asian Heart Health Awareness and Research Act
    - HR 5118 — Wildfire Response and Drought Resiliency Act
    - HR 6929 — Susan Muffley Act

Health policy update:

- BBB drug pricing and drug price negotiation items
  

  o Washington Post (Opinion): If GOP senators don’t fear this vote, what could possibly scare them? -


- Nurse staffing


• STIs

  • No new items

• Colon cancer-related items


• Organ donation and transplantation items

  • Still looking for House Oversight report

  • EurekAlert!: Immunosuppressive drug’s blood level variability may identify pediatric kidney transplant recipients at risk of rejection - https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/959574


• Vison/dental care in Medicare-related items

  • No new items

• Physical rehabilitation

  • No new items

• Hospital and physician payment-related items
- **Bloomberg**: Democrats Move Ahead on Extending Health Subsidies for 2 Years - [https://www.bgov.com/next/news/RFN7UFT0G1KW](https://www.bgov.com/next/news/RFN7UFT0G1KW)

- **Bloomberg**: Wyden Pushing to Extend ACA Subsidies Using Increased IRS Funds - [https://www.bgov.com/next/news/RFM2ZQT0A6F6](https://www.bgov.com/next/news/RFM2ZQT0A6F6)


- **Becker’s Hospital Review**: ASCs should focus on price transparency, value-based care in next 5 years, leader says - [https://www.beckersasc.com/asc-news/ascs-should-focus-on-price-transparency-value-based-care-in-next-5-years-leader-says.html](https://www.beckersasc.com/asc-news/ascs-should-focus-on-price-transparency-value-based-care-in-next-5-years-leader-says.html)

- **Nursing home quality initiative**