HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: August 8, 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


- Nurse staffing

  - **Wisconsin Health Care Association**: The Long-Term Care Workforce Crisis: A 2022 Report - [https://files.constantcontact.com/dbb1ab01801/b0a28d03-158d-4a57-ba51-6b74c67a8d55.pdf](https://files.constantcontact.com/dbb1ab01801/b0a28d03-158d-4a57-ba51-6b74c67a8d55.pdf)

  - **MedCity News**: How NeuroFlow’s app improved nurses’ wellbeing at Trinity Health - [https://medcitynews.com/2022/08/how-neuroflows-app-improved-the-mental-wellbeing-of-trinity-health-nurses/?utm_campaign=MCN%20Daily%20Top%20Stories&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=222113011&_hsmc=p2ANqtz_-DF7xNk8SDFxyrvpJbYYBEjmNzPGaegPqHJ0t2F7pAy2DejFMIF15ThthQ2jQjdHcNR1Md6fZKDJIFV-bVE4aPrk3mNQ&utm_content=222113011&utm_source=hs_email](https://medcitynews.com/2022/08/how-neuroflows-app-improved-the-mental-wellbeing-of-trinity-health-nurses/?utm_campaign=MCN%20Daily%20Top%20Stories&utm_medium=email&_hsmi=222113011&_hsmc=p2ANqtz_-DF7xNk8SDFxyrvpJbYYBEjmNzPGaegPqHJ0t2F7pAy2DejFMIF15ThthQ2jQjdHcNR1Md6fZKDJIFV-bVE4aPrk3mNQ&utm_content=222113011&utm_source=hs_email)


- **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**
  - **Roll Call:** Thune breaks through Democratic bloc on ‘vote-a-rama’ amendments - [https://rollcall.com/2022/08/07/democrats-remain-largely-united-on-vote-arama-amendments/](https://rollcall.com/2022/08/07/democrats-remain-largely-united-on-vote-arama-amendments/)

- **Physical rehabilitation**
  - **No new items**

- **Hospital and physician payment-related items**
  - **Health Affairs:** Lessons From Five Years Of The CMS Accountable Health Communities Model - [https://www.healthaffairs.org/content/forefront/lessons-five-years-cms-accountable-health-communities-model](https://www.healthaffairs.org/content/forefront/lessons-five-years-cms-accountable-health-communities-model)
  - **MedCity News:** Medicaid/CHIP enrollment rose 23.9% during the pandemic, KFF report shows - [https://medcitynews.com/2022/08/medicaid-chip-enrollment-rose-23-9-during-the-pandemic-kff-report-shows/?utm_campaign=MCN%20Daily%20Top%20Stories&utm_medium=email&hsenc=p2ANqtz-6ace1tCtQM6KaShESMkUrXBCMVII2HGiMRn-0nWJg5QdnilgoXClj1gbQ1FSIAbdSwfwZi12vWDGBGGVZ0oCm6CsnVag&utm_content=222113011&utm_source=hs_email](https://medcitynews.com/2022/08/medicaid-chip-enrollment-rose-23-9-during-the-pandemic-kff-report-shows/?utm_campaign=MCN%20Daily%20Top%20Stories&utm_medium=email&hsenc=p2ANqtz-6ace1tCtQM6KaShESMkUrXBCMVII2HGiMRn-0nWJg5QdnilgoXClj1gbQ1FSIAbdSwfwZi12vWDGBGGVZ0oCm6CsnVag&utm_content=222113011&utm_source=hs_email)
  - **RevCycleIntelligence:** Key Challenges, Strategies for Patient-First Billing - [https://revcycleintelligence.com/features/key-challenges-strategies-for-patient-first-billing](https://revcycleintelligence.com/features/key-challenges-strategies-for-patient-first-billing)

- **Nursing home quality initiative**

- **Health equity-related items**

- Becker’s Hospital Review: Native American, Black families most likely to delay medical care due to inflation - https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/finance/native-american-black-families-most-likely-to-delay-medical-care-due-to-inflation.html