HEALTH POLICY UPDATE: August 26, 2022

Congressional Schedule:

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

Health policy update:

• Drug pricing and Inflation Reduction Act-related items
  o JAMA Network: The Inflation Reduction Act Is a Foot in the Door for Containing Health Care Costs - https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama-health-forum/fullarticle/2795835

• Nurse staffing
  o Health Leaders (Opinion): We’re Running Out Of Nurses. Here’s What We Must Do - https://www.healthleadersmedia.com/nursing/opinion-were-running-out-nurses-heres-what-we-must-do
  o McKnights Senior Living: Expense pressures overtake workforce issues as top challenge for operators: NIC -
McKintosh Senior Living: Rising operating expenses surpass staffing as top provider concern: NIC -

- Colon cancer-related items
  - EurekAlert!: Mayo Clinic study shows AI may improve prediction of colorectal cancer recurrence - https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/962851

- Organ donation and transplantation items
  - Still looking for House Oversight report
  - EurekAlert!: CU surgery faculty member receives DOD grant to study transplant rejection biomarkers - https://www.eurekalert.org/news-releases/962927

- Vison/dental care in Medicare-related items
  - Health Leaders: Are Expanded Supplemental Benefits The MA Skeleton Key? - https://www.healthleadersmedia.com/payer/are-expanded-supplemental-benefits-ma-skeleton-key-0

- Physical rehabilitation
  - No new items

- Hospital and physician payment-related items


- Nursing home quality initiative


- Health equity-related items
