

HR 676

Expanded and Improved Medicare for All Act

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Sponsor

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Party: Democratic • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors (38 total)

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Del. Norton, Eleanor Holmes [D-DC-At Large]	D · DC		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Carson, Julia [D-IN-7]	D · IN		Feb 11, 2003
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Rep. Jackson, Jesse L., Jr. [D-IL-2]	D · IL		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Kilpatrick, Carolyn C. [D-MI-13]	D · MI		Feb 11, 2003
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Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-9]	D · CA		Feb 11, 2003
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Rep. McDermott, Jim [D-WA-7]	D · WA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Owens, Major R. [D-NY-11]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Pastor, Ed [D-AZ-4]	D · AZ		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Payne, Donald M. [D-NJ-10]	D · NJ		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Rangel, Charles B. [D-NY-15]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Scott, Robert C. "Bobby" [D-VA-3]	D · VA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Thompson, Bennie G. [D-MS-2]	D · MS		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Towns, Edolphus [D-NY-10]	D · NY		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Woolsey, Lynn C. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		Feb 11, 2003
Rep. Velazquez, Nydia M. [D-NY-12]	D · NY		Mar 26, 2003
Rep. Udall, Tom [D-NM-3]	D · NM		Jul 7, 2003
Rep. Nadler, Jerrold [D-NY-8]	D · NY		Jul 8, 2003
Rep. Abercrombie, Neil [D-HI-1]	D · HI		Mar 10, 2004
Rep. Baldwin, Tammy [D-WI-2]	D · WI		Apr 22, 2004
Rep. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT-At Large]	I · VT		Apr 22, 2004
Rep. Jones, Stephanie Tubbs [D-OH-11]	D · OH		May 5, 2004
Rep. Maloney, Carolyn B. [D-NY-14]	D · NY		May 5, 2004
Rep. Frank, Barney [D-MA-4]	D · MA		Jul 7, 2004
Rep. Jackson-Lee, Sheila [D-TX-18]	D · TX		Jul 12, 2004
Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-17]	D · NY		Sep 30, 2004
Rep. Olver, John W. [D-MA-1]	D · MA		Sep 30, 2004
Rep. Weiner, Anthony D. [D-NY-9]	D · NY		Sep 30, 2004

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 10, 2003
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Feb 11, 2003
Veterans' Affairs Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 12, 2003
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 10, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

Summary (as of Feb 11, 2003)

United States National Health Insurance Act (or the Expanded and Improved Medicare for All Act) - Establishes the United States National Health Insurance (USNHI) Program (the Program), providing all individuals residing in the United States (including in U.S. territories) with health care. States benefits the Program shall offer, including: (1) primary care and prevention; (2) prescription drugs; (3) emergency care; and (4) mental health services.

Prohibits institutions from participating as health providers in the Program unless they are a public or nonprofit institution, and provides for conversions of investor-owned providers with compensation for real property and equipment.

Allows health maintenance organizations to participate in the Program under specified conditions. Permits patients to freedom of choice of participating physicians and other clinicians, hospitals, and inpatient care facilities. Prohibits a private health insurer from selling health insurance coverage that duplicates the benefits provided under this Act.

Declares that the Program shall establish a prescription drug formulary system, which shall encourage best practices in prescribing and shall be updated frequently.

Requires the Secretary of Health and Human Services to appoint a Director for the Program, who in turn shall appoint a director for an Office of Quality Control. Requires the director of the Office of Quality Control to conduct an annual review on the adequacy of medically needed services.

Establishes a National Board of Universal Quality and Access, which shall advise the Secretary and the Director to ensure quality, access, and affordability.

Provides for the eventual integration of the health programs of the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Indian Health Service into the Program.

Declares that this Act shall take effect on January 1, 2005.

Actions Timeline

- **Jun 4, 2003:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR H4974-4975)
- **Mar 12, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 10, 2003:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
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