

S 927

Medicare Mental Health Modernization Act of 2005

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Apr 27, 2005

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Apr 27, 2005)

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Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Corzine, Jon S. [D-NJ]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NJ • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (8 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Johnson, Tim [D-SD]	D · SD		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Kennedy, Edward M. [D-MA]	D · MA		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Landrieu, Mary L. [D-LA]	D · LA		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Lautenberg, Frank R. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Sarbanes, Paul S. [D-MD]	D · MD		Apr 27, 2005
Sen. Cantwell, Maria [D-WA]	D · WA		May 9, 2005
Sen. Boxer, Barbara [D-CA]	D · CA		Sep 8, 2005
Sen. Mikulski, Barbara A. [D-MD]	D · MD		Sep 29, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 27, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 1946	Identical bill	<b>May 13, 2005:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Chairman.

Medicare Mental Health Modernization Act of 2005 - Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act (SSA) to provide for: (1) elimination of the lifetime limit on inpatient mental health services; (2) parity in treatment for outpatient mental health services; (3) coverage of intensive residential services under Medicare part A (Hospital Insurance) and of intensive outpatient services under Medicare part B (Supplementary Medical Insurance); (4) exclusion of clinical social worker services from coverage under the Medicare skilled nursing facility prospective payment system; and (5) coverage of marriage and family therapist services and mental health counselor services under Medicare.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services to study and report to Congress on whether the criteria for coverage of any therapy service or any outpatient mental health care service under Medicare unduly restricts the access to such a service of any Medicare beneficiary with Alzheimer's disease or a related mental illness because the coverage criteria requires the Medicare beneficiary to display continuing clinical improvement to continue to receive the service.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 27, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Apr 27, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S4422)
- **Apr 27, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.