

## S 3461

### National Pediatric Research Network Act of 2012

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions. (Jul 31, 2012)

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## Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

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

## Cosponsors (10 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Begich, Mark [D-AK]	D · AK		Jul 31, 2012
Sen. Blumenthal, Richard [D-CT]	D · CT		Jul 31, 2012
Sen. Kerry, John F. [D-MA]	D · MA		Jul 31, 2012
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jul 31, 2012
Sen. Wicker, Roger F. [R-MS]	R · MS		Jul 31, 2012
Sen. Blunt, Roy [R-MO]	R · MO		Sep 19, 2012
Sen. Grassley, Chuck [R-IA]	R · IA		Sep 19, 2012
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Sep 21, 2012
Sen. Isakson, Johnny [R-GA]	R · GA		Nov 28, 2012
Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]	R · OH		Dec 17, 2012

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jul 31, 2012

## Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 6163	Identical bill	Sep 20, 2012: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

National Pediatric Research Network Act of 2012 - Amends the Public Health Service Act to authorize the Director of the National Institutes of Health (NIH), in carrying out the Pediatric Research Initiative, to act through the Director of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development and in collaboration with other appropriate national research institutes and national centers that carry out activities involving pediatric research to provide for the establishment of a National Pediatric Research Network.

Authorizes the Director of the Institute to award cooperative agreements and grants to public or private nonprofit entities for: (1) planning, establishing, or strengthening pediatric research consortia; and (2) providing basic operating support for such consortia, including for pediatric research needs and training. Authorizes the Director to make awards for not more than 20 pediatric research consortia. Requires the Director to provide for the coordination of activities among the consortia and to require the periodic preparation and submission of reports on their activities.

Requires the Director of NIH to ensure that an appropriate number of such awards are awarded to consortia that agree to: (1) focus primarily on pediatric rare diseases or conditions; (2) conduct or coordinate multi-site clinical trials of therapies for, or approaches to, the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of pediatric rare diseases or conditions; and (3) disseminate trial findings.

Requires the Director of NIH to establish a data coordinating center to: (1) distribute such findings; (2) provide assistance in the design and conduct of collaborative research projects and the management, analysis, and storage of data associated with such projects; (3) organize and conduct multi-site monitoring activities; (4) provide assistance to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the establishment of patient registries; and (5) report regularly on consortia research.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jul 31, 2012:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jul 31, 2012:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S5735-5736)
- **Jul 31, 2012:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.