

HR 4998

Medicare Advantage Participant Bill of Rights Act of 2014

Congress: 113 (2013–2015, Ended)

Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

Introduced: Jun 26, 2014

Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned. (Jun 26, 2014)

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Committee Activity

| Committee | Chamber | Activity | Date |
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| Energy and Commerce Committee | House | Referred To | Jun 26, 2014 |
| Ways and Means Committee | House | Referred To | Jun 26, 2014 |

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

| Bill | Relationship | Last Action |
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| 113 S 2552 | Identical bill | Jun 26, 2014: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

Summary (as of Jun 26, 2014)

Medicare Advantage Participant Bill of Rights Act of 2014 - Amends part C (Medicare+Choice) of title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to require a Medicare Advantage (MA) organization to remove a service provider or a supplier from a plan network only for cause, subject to completion of a fair notice and appeals process.

Lists as cause for removal: (1) medical negligence, (2) violation of any legal or contractual requirement for the provider or supplier acting within the lawful scope of practice, or (3) unfitness to furnish items and services in accordance with Medicare requirements.

Requires an MA organization offering an MA plan to include information on the measures used to establish or modify the plan's provider network: (1) in the annual bid information submitted about the MA plan, and (2) on the plan's Internet Web.

Subjects to certain sanctions MA organizations with contracts which fail to meet these information requirements.

Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) to: (1) seek input from patient advocacy groups and others in applying network access adequacy standards, and (2) take necessary measures to ensure that the Medicare Advantage Compare Tool takes into account the preferences and utilization needs of such individuals.

Actions Timeline

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