

HR 1611

Protecting Access to Rural Therapy Services (PARTS) Act

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Rep. Young, David [R-IA-3]	R · IA		Jan 8, 2016
Rep. Blum, Rod [R-IA-1]	R · IA		Apr 15, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 27, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2015

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 HR 3225	Related bill	Aug 5, 2015: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
114 S 257	Identical bill	Jan 27, 2015: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Mar 25, 2015)

Protecting Access to Rural Therapy Services (PARTS) Act

Amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to state that, except with respect to high-risk or complex medical services requiring direct levels of supervision, if the Secretary of Health and Human Services requires supervision by a physician or non-physician practitioner for Medicare payment for therapeutic hospital outpatient services, that requirement is met if such services are furnished under the physician's or non-physician practitioner's general supervision.

Directs the Secretary to establish a process for designating therapeutic hospital outpatient services for which direct supervision may be required for the entire service or direct supervision during the initiation of the service followed by general supervision for the remainder of the service.

Declares without force or effect in law regarding Medicare requirements for direct supervision by physicians for therapeutic hospital outpatient services a specified restatement and clarification under the final rulemaking changes to the Medicare hospital outpatient prospective payment system and calendar year 2009 payment rates, which was published in the Federal Register on November 18, 2008.

Actions Timeline

- **Apr 7, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 27, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 25, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 25, 2015:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.