

HR 4277

Medicare Mental Health Access Act

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Rep. Lofgren, Zoe [D-CA-19]	D · CA		Apr 29, 2016
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Rep. Blumenauer, Earl [D-OR-3]	D · OR		May 16, 2016
Rep. Kind, Ron [D-WI-3]	D · WI		May 16, 2016
Rep. Cohen, Steve [D-TN-9]	D · TN		Jun 22, 2016
Rep. Jenkins, Lynn [R-KS-2]	R · KS		Jun 22, 2016
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Rep. Ellison, Keith [D-MN-5]	D · MN		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Langevin, James R. [D-RI-2]	D · RI		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Lee, Barbara [D-CA-13]	D · CA		Sep 6, 2016
Rep. Lowenthal, Alan S. [D-CA-47]	D · CA		Sep 6, 2016
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Rep. DeSaulnier, Mark [D-CA-11]	D · CA		Sep 27, 2016
Rep. McCollum, Betty [D-MN-4]	D · MN		Sep 27, 2016

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Dec 18, 2015
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Feb 5, 2016

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Health

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
114 S 2597	Identical bill	Feb 25, 2016: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Summary (as of Dec 16, 2015)

Medicare Mental Health Access Act

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to expand the definition of "physician," for purposes of the Medicare program, to include a clinical psychologist with respect to the furnishing of qualified psychologist services.

The bill excludes a clinical psychologist, in 2017 and 2018, from certain negative payment adjustments for failing to be a meaningful electronic health records user.

Actions Timeline

- **Feb 5, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 18, 2015:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Dec 16, 2015:** Introduced in House
- **Dec 16, 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.