

## HR 4714

Removing Barriers to Clinical Research Act of 2016

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Young, Todd [R-IN-9]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** IN • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Peters, Scott H. [D-CA-52]	D · CA		Mar 3, 2016
Rep. Meehan, Patrick [R-PA-7]	R · PA		Jun 9, 2016

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 4, 2016
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 9, 2016

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## Removing Barriers to Clinical Research Act of 2016

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to expand Medicare coverage of costs associated with clinical trials. Under current law, Medicare covers routine costs of care furnished to a beneficiary enrolled in a category A (experimental) clinical trial of a medical device intended for use in the diagnosis, monitoring, or treatment of an immediately life-threatening disease or condition. The bill requires Medicare to also cover, with respect to a beneficiary enrolled in a category B (non-experimental) clinical trial, routine costs of care as well as the cost of the device under investigation.

A trial of a medical device shall, for purposes of Medicare coverage, be deemed to meet the definition of a category A or category B clinical trial, as the case may be, if the trial is conducted under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act's investigational use exemption.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 9, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 4, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 3, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 3, 2016:** 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.