

## HR 6261

ACO Assignment Improvement Act of 2016

**Congress:** 114 (2015–2017, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Sep 28, 2016

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Oct 7, 2016)

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### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Kilmer, Derek [D-WA-6]

**Party:** Democratic • **State:** WA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (1 total)

| Cosponsor                   | Party / State | Role | Date Joined  |
|-----------------------------|---------------|------|--------------|
| Rep. Jenkins, Lynn [R-KS-2] | R · KS        |      | Sep 28, 2016 |

### Committee Activity

| Committee                     | Chamber | Activity    | Date         |
|-------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------------|
| Energy and Commerce Committee | House   | Referred To | Sep 28, 2016 |
| Ways and Means Committee      | House   | Referred to | Oct 7, 2016  |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

| Bill        | Relationship | Last Action   |
|-------------|--------------|---|
| 114 HR 5667 | Related bill | <b>Jul 15, 2016:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.              |
| 114 S 2261  | Related bill | <b>Dec 18, 2015:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.              |
| 114 S 2259  | Related bill | <b>Nov 9, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.  |
| 114 S 1456  | Related bill | <b>May 22, 2015:</b> Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. |

## **ACO Assignment Improvement Act of 2016**

This bill amends title XVIII (Medicare) of the Social Security Act to establish additional requirements for assigning Medicare fee-for-service beneficiaries to accountable care organizations (ACOs) under the Medicare shared savings program. (The program enables ACOs to receive payments for savings stemming from care coordination and management.)

Specifically, the bill requires the basis for assignment to reflect beneficiaries' utilization of not only primary care services provided by ACO physicians, but also those provided by other ACO practitioners. Other ACO practitioners include physician assistants, nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, certified registered nurse anesthetists, certified nurse-midwives, clinical social workers, clinical psychologists, and registered dietitians or nutrition professionals.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 7, 2016:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Sep 28, 2016:** Introduced in House
- **Sep 28, 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.