

## HR 2046

### Peer-Support Specialist Act of 2017

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**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

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**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Apr 7, 2017)

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## Sponsor

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**Party:** Democratic • **State:** NM • **Chamber:** Senate

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Rep. Engel, Eliot L. [D-NY-16]	D · NY		Apr 6, 2017
Rep. Loebsack, David [D-IA-2]	D · IA		Apr 6, 2017
Rep. Napolitano, Grace F. [D-CA-32]	D · CA		Apr 6, 2017
Rep. Kennedy, Joseph P., III [D-MA-4]	D · MA		May 2, 2017
Rep. Cárdenas, Tony [D-CA-29]	D · CA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Matsui, Doris O. [D-CA-6]	D · CA		May 16, 2017
Rep. Lujan Grisham, Michelle [D-NM-1]	D · NM		Jun 12, 2017

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 7, 2017

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

## **Peer-Support Specialist Act of 2017**

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to award grants to eligible entities to develop and sustain behavioral health paraprofessional training and education programs, including through tuition support. Eligible entities are community colleges, training or credentialing programs, and other entities deemed appropriate by HHS.

HHS must report on and publish best practices and professional standards in states for: (1) establishing and operating health care programs using peer-support specialists, and (2) training and certifying peer-support specialists.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Apr 7, 2017:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 6, 2017:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 6, 2017:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.