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### Medicare Mental Health Access Act

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Feb 27, 2017

**Current Status:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Feb 27, 2017)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/448>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]

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

### Cosponsors (14 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Collins, Susan M. [R-ME]	R · ME		Feb 27, 2017
Sen. Rounds, Mike [R-SD]	R · SD		Mar 15, 2017
Sen. Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [D-NY]	D · NY		Mar 23, 2017
Sen. Heitkamp, Heidi [D-ND]	D · ND		May 16, 2017
Sen. King, Angus S., Jr. [I-ME]	I · ME		Jun 12, 2017
Sen. Udall, Tom [D-NM]	D · NM		Jun 12, 2017
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Jul 25, 2017
Sen. Schatz, Brian [D-HI]	D · HI		Aug 3, 2017
Sen. Heinrich, Martin [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 3, 2018
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Apr 10, 2018
Sen. Tester, Jon [D-MT]	D · MT		Apr 10, 2018
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Apr 24, 2018
Sen. Warren, Elizabeth [D-MA]	D · MA		May 14, 2018
Sen. Merkley, Jeff [D-OR]	D · OR		Jun 5, 2018

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Feb 27, 2017

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
115 HR 1173	Identical bill	<b>Mar 2, 2017:</b> Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

## Summary (as of Feb 27, 2017)

### 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.

## Actions Timeline

- **Feb 27, 2017:** Introduced in Senate
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