

## HR 1656

Strengthening our Pediatric Workforce Act of 2019

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Mar 8, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Mar 9, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/1656>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Smucker, Lloyd [R-PA-11]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** PA • **Chamber:** House

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Davids, Sharice [D-KS-3]	D · KS		Sep 9, 2019
Rep. Davis, Danny K. [D-IL-7]	D · IL		Feb 12, 2020

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 9, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

**Policy Area:**

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 8, 2019)

#### Strengthening our Pediatric Workforce Act of 2019

This bill authorizes the Health Resources and Services Administration to provide grants to children's hospitals with graduate residency programs that are located in health-professional shortage areas. Such grants are used to develop initiatives addressing pediatric health disparities, including access to care, poverty, opioid overuse, food insecurity, and child abuse.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 9, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Mar 8, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 8, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.