

HR 2077

Global Brain Health Act of 2019

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Apr 4, 2019
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Related Bills

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## Global Brain Health Act of 2019

This bill establishes programs to provide international support to address (1) autism spectrum disorders (ASD); (2) hydrocephalus (i.e., the accumulation of fluid in the brain commonly occurring in infants and young children); and (3) Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia.

Specifically, the U.S. Agency for International Development must establish the Global Autism Assistance Program to (1) support local service providers and advocacy groups focused on ASD in developing countries and (2) train parents and teachers who work with children with ASD.

In addition, the President is authorized to provide foreign assistance to (1) support hospitals treating hydrocephalus in developing countries, (2) establish at least 20 hydrocephalus treatment centers, and (3) develop surgeon training programs.

Further, the Department of Health and Human Services must collaborate with the World Health Organization to establish a Global Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Action Plan to (1) conduct clinical research, (2) raise public awareness, and (3) support prevention and treatment of Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Apr 4, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Apr 3, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Apr 3, 2019:** Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, 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.