

## HR 461

To amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure appropriate care by certain 340B covered entities for victims of sexual assault, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Jan 10, 2019

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Jan 25, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/461>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Rep. Griffith, H. Morgan [R-VA-9]

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

### Cosponsors (2 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred to	Jan 25, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

No related bills are listed.

### Summary (as of Jan 10, 2019)

This bill requires hospitals with emergency departments to be equipped with sexual assault forensic examiners as a condition of participation in the 340B drug pricing program (i.e., a program that allows entities to receive covered outpatient drugs at reduced prices from manufacturers).

Specifically, the Department of Health and Human Services must designate the hospital as a facility in which a sexual assault forensic examiner is available or on call 24-7. Hospitals that do not receive this designation after one year must take action to become designated within the following year. They must also implement an interim policy that allows emergency department patients to choose to be transferred free of charge to already-designated facilities.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Jan 25, 2019:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Introduced in House
- **Jan 10, 2019:** Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.