

## HR 7902

Expedited Hiring for VA Trained Psychiatrists Act of 2020

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Armed Forces and National Security

**Introduced:** Jul 31, 2020

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health. (Oct 6, 2020)

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### Sponsor

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

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### Committee Activity

| Committee                   | Chamber | Activity    | Date        |
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| Veterans' Affairs Committee | House   | Referred to | Oct 6, 2020 |

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

## **Expedited Hiring for VA Trained Psychiatrists Act of 2020**

This bill authorizes the Department of Veterans Affairs to appoint a psychiatrist who completes a residency at a Veterans Health Administration (VHA) facility to a VHA health care position immediately after such residency, without regard to civil service or classification laws, if (1) the psychiatrist meets the qualifications established in regulations prescribed for the position, and (2) the position has been unfilled for at least 35 days.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Oct 6, 2020:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Introduced in House
- **Jul 31, 2020:** Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.