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Non-Opioid Directive Act

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Sponsor

Name: Sen. Manchin, Joe, III [D-WV]

Party: Independent • **State:** WV • **Chamber:** Senate

Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
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Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee	Senate	Referred To	Apr 21, 2021

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
117 HR 4098	Identical bill	Jun 24, 2021: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Non-Opioid Directive Act

This bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to develop a non-opioid pain management directive. This is a form that an individual may use to inform health care providers of the individual's choice to avoid opioid medications for pain management. The bill also sets out requirements for the execution, use, and revocation of these forms.

HHS must make the form available on its website, and health insurers must make it available to their plan enrollees. Insurers must also share an enrollee's choice about opioid treatment with health care providers during pre-authorization processes.

The bill allows health care providers to override a patient's form in specified circumstances. It also extends liability protections for providers who reasonably and in good faith administer or prescribe an opioid to a patient with an executed form in place.

Actions Timeline

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