

## S 4899

### Improving Medicare Patients with RNHCI Options to Vaccinate Easily Act

**Congress:** 117 (2021–2023, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Health

**Introduced:** Sep 20, 2022

**Current Status:** Held at the desk.

**Latest Action:** Held at the desk. (Sep 21, 2022)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/senate-bill/4899>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Portman, Rob [R-OH]

**Party:** Republican • **State:** OH • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors (1 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Brown, Sherrod [D-OH]	D · OH		Sep 20, 2022

### Committee Activity

*No committee referrals or activity are recorded for this bill.*

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Health

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Sep 20, 2022)

#### Improving Medicare Patients with RNHCI Options to Vaccinate Easily Act or the IMPROVE Act

This bill specifies that individuals who elect to receive services in religious nonmedical health care institutions (RNHCIs) may receive COVID-19 vaccines under Medicare.

Specifically, an individual's receipt of a COVID-19 vaccine does not revoke the individual's election to receive services in RNHCIs under Medicare; an individual who's election was revoked due to the receipt of a COVID-19 vaccine prior to the bill's date of enactment may immediately reelect to receive services in RNHCIs under Medicare.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Sep 21, 2022:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Sep 21, 2022:** Received in the House.
- **Sep 21, 2022:** Held at the desk.
- **Sep 20, 2022:** Introduced in Senate
- **Sep 20, 2022:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Introduced in the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed without amendment by Voice Vote.
- **Sep 20, 2022:** Introduced in the Senate, read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed without amendment by Voice Vote. (consideration: CR S4871-4872; text: CR S4871-4872)