

HR 9682

Cure Hepatitis C Act of 2026

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Chamber: House

Policy Area: Health

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Current Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary

Latest Action: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, Natural Resources, and Ways and Means, 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. (Jul 14, 2026)

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Sponsor

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Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Rep. Bacon, Don [R-NE-2]	R · NE		Jul 14, 2026
Rep. DeGette, Diana [D-CO-1]	D · CO		Jul 14, 2026
Rep. Johnson, Henry C. "Hank" [D-GA-4]	D · GA		Jul 14, 2026
Rep. Gottheimer, Josh [D-NJ-5]	D · NJ		Aug 10, 2026
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Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Commerce Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 14, 2026
Judiciary Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 14, 2026
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 14, 2026
Ways and Means Committee	House	Referred To	Jul 14, 2026

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
119 S 1941	Related bill	Jun 4, 2025: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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This bill establishes programs and requirements to provide free medications to treat hepatitis C in certain high-risk or vulnerable populations. It also establishes grants and other resources to support testing and treatment for hepatitis C. The bill provides funding for FY2027 to implement these provisions.

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) must enter into a five-year purchasing contract with manufacturers of drugs that treat hepatitis C so that eligible individuals may receive the drugs without cost-sharing. Eligible individuals are those diagnosed with hepatitis C who are (1) enrolled in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), (2) confined to federal, state, or local correctional facilities (or were released and began treatment there), (3) uninsured, or (4) receiving health care through the Indian Health Service.

State Medicaid and CHIP programs and state and local correctional facilities may opt into the program; participation is mandatory for federal correctional facilities and the Indian Health Service.

HHS must award grants to certain entities, including states, public health organizations, and correctional facilities, to support the coordination and provision of screening, treatment, and supportive services for the affected populations.

The bill also allows Medicare beneficiaries to receive hepatitis C drugs without cost-sharing from 2028-2032.

Actions Timeline

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