HOUSE DEMOCRATS DEMONSTRATE COMMITMENT TO HEALTH CARE REFORM

Seventy-Nine Hearings Since 2007

Reforming America's health care system has been a long-standing priority for the Democrats in Congress. For over two years, Congressional Democrats have been laying the groundwork for this year's reform debate, with House Committees holding 79 bipartisan hearings to thoroughly explore this complex issue.

Health Reform Hearings in the House of Representatives, 2007-Present

Date	Committee	Hearing
2/6/07	Energy & Commerce	A Review of the Department of Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2008 Budget
2/13/07	Small Business	Alternatives for Easing the Small Business Health Care Burden
3/1/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on MedPAC's Annual March Report with MedPAC Chairman Glenn M. Hackbarth
3/6/07	Energy & Commerce	Exploring Options for Improving the Medicare Physician Payment System
3/6/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on MedPAC's Report on the Sustainable Growth Rate (SGR)
3/8/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Medicare Program Integrity
3/14/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Genetic Non-Discrimination
3/15/07	Education & Labor	Examining Innovative Approaches to Covering the Uninsured Through Employer-Provided Health Benefits
3/21/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Medicare Advantage
3/27/07	Energy & Commerce	Insuring Bright Futures: Improving Access to Dental Care and Providing a Healthy Start for Children
3/27/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Mental Health and Substance Abuse Parity
4/18/07	Energy & Commerce	Medicare Program Efficiency and Integrity
4/25/07	Energy & Commerce	Living without Health Insurance: Why Every American Needs Coverage
4/25/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on the 2007 Medicare Trustees Report
5/2/07	Energy & Commerce	Assessing the Impact of a Safe and Equitable Biosimilar Policy in the United States
5/3/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Medicare Programs for Low-Income Beneficiaries
5/10/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Options to Improve Quality and Efficiency Among Medicare Physicians
5/15/07	Energy & Commerce	Keeping Medicare's Promise for Seniors and People with Disabilities
5/15/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Payments to Certain Medicare Fee-for-Service Providers
5/22/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Medicare Advantage Private Fee-For-Service Plans
5/22/07	Education & Labor	Health Care Reform: Recommendations to Improve Coordination of Federal and State Initiatives
6/12/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Strategies to Increase Information on Comparative Clinical Effectiveness
6/21/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Beneficiary Protections in Medicare Part D
6/26/07	Energy & Commerce	Predatory Sales Practices in Medicare Advantage

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6/28/07	Budget	Medicare Advantage and the Federal Budget			
10/16/07	Ways & Means	Joint Hearing on Statutorily Required Audits of Medicare Advantage Plan Bids			
10/18/07	Budget	The Tax Code and Health Insurance Coverage			
10/25/07	Small Business	Impact of Health Consolidation on Small Business			
11/1/07	Oversight & Government Reform	The Administration's Regulatory Actions on Medicaid: The Effects on Patients, Doctors, Hospitals, and States			
11/14/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Impact of Gaps in Health Coverage on Income Security			
11/15/07	Ways & Means	Hearing on Trends in Nursing Home Ownership and Quality			
1/10/08	Small Business	Affordable Health Care: A Big Problem for Small Businesses			
1/16/08	Energy & Commerce	Helping Families with Needed Care: Medicaid's Critical Role for Americans with Disabilities			
1/29/08	Energy & Commerce	Covering Uninsured Kids: Missed Opportunities for Moving Forward			
2/14/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on the Medicare Portions of the President's Fiscal Year 2009 Budget			
2/26/08	Energy & Commerce	Covering Uninsured Kids: Reversing Progress Already Made			
2/27/08	Budget	Department Of Health And Human Services Fiscal Year 2009 Budget			
2/28/08	Energy & Commerce	A Review of the Department of Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2009 Budget			
2/28/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on Medicare Advantage			
3/11/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on MedPAC's Annual March Report with MedPAC Chairman Glenn M. Hackbarth			
4/1/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on the 2008 Medicare Trustees Report			
4/15/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on the Instability of Health Coverage in America			
5/5/08	Oversight & Government Reform	The Lack of Hospital Emergency Surge Capacity			
5/14/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) and Consumer Driven Health Care			
6/10/08	Ways & Means	Addressing Disparities in Health and Healthcare: Issues for Reform			
7/15/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on State Coverage Initiatives			
7/16/08	Budget	Getting Better Value in Health Care			
7/17/08	Oversight & Government Reform	Business Practices in the Individual Health Insurance Market: Terminations of Coverage			
7/22/08	Energy & Commerce	State Fiscal Relief: Protecting Health Coverage in an Economic Downturn			
7/23/08	Agriculture	The State of Health Care in Rural America			
7/24/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on Promoting the Adoption and Use of Health Information Technology			
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7/24/08	Oversight & Government Reform	The Medicare Drug Benefit: Are Private Insurers Getting Good Discounts for the Taxpayer?
9/11/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on Reforming Medicare's Physician Payment System
9/18/08	Energy & Commerce	America's Need for Health Reform
9/23/08	Ways & Means	Hearing on The Health of the Private Health Insurance Market
9/25/08	Education & Labor	Full Committee: "Safeguarding Retiree Health Benefits"
11/13/08	Energy & Commerce	Treatments for an Ailing Economy: Protecting Health Care Coverage and Investing in Biomedical Research
2/4/09	Small Business	Health Care Reform in a Struggling Economy: What's on the Horizon for Small Business?
3/10/09	Energy & Commerce	Making Health Care Work For American Families: Designing A High Performing Healthcare System
3/10/09	Education & Labor	Strengthening Employer-Based Health Care
3/11/09	Ways & Means	Health Care Reform in the 21st Century: Expanding Coverage, Improving Quality and Controlling Costs
3/17/09	Energy & Commerce	Making Health Care Work For American Families: Ensuring Affordable Coverage
3/17/09	Ways & Means	Hearing on MedPAC's Annual March Report to the Congress on Medicare Payment Policy
3/24/09	Energy & Commerce	Making Health Care Work For American Families: Improving Access To Care
4/1/09	Ways & Means	Health Care Reform in the 21st Century: Reforming the Health Care Delivery System
4/2/09	Energy & Commerce	Making Health Care Work for American Families: Saving Money, Saving Lives
4/22/09	Ways & Means	Health Care Reform in the 21st Century: Insurance Market Reforms
4/23/09	Education & Labor	Ways to Reduce the Cost of Health Insurance for Employers, Employees and their Families
4/29/09	Ways & Means	Health Care Reform in the 21st Century: Employer Sponsored Insurance
5/6/09	Ways & Means	Health Care Reform in the 21st Century: A Conversation with HHS Secretary Sebelius
6/3/09	Small Business	Common Ground: Finding Consensus on Health Reform, the Small Business Perspective
6/10/09	Education & Labor	Examining the Single Payer Health Care Option
6/11/09	Energy & Commerce	Emerging Health Care Issues: Follow-on Biologic Drug Competition
6/19/09	Budget	The Economic Case for Health Reform
6/23/09	Energy & Commerce	Hearing on Forthcoming Draft Proposal of Health Care Reform
6/23/09	Education & Labor	Hearing on "The House Tri-Committee Draft Proposal for Health Care Reform"
6/24/09	Energy & Commerce	Hearing on Forthcoming Draft Proposal of Health Care Reform
6/24/09	Ways & Means	Hearing on Health Reform in the 21st Century: Proposals to Reform the Health System
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