

HOUSE DEMOCRATS HOLD 100 HEARINGS ON HEALTH CARE REFORM

Reforming America's health care system has been a long-standing priority for the Democratic Party. For over two years, Congressional Democrats have been laying the groundwork for this year's reform debate, and House Committees have held 100 bipartisan hearings, public forums, and other outreach sessions to explore this complex issue. In addition, House Democrats have also held nearly 3,000 health care events in their districts to hear directly from the American people and include them in the reform process.

House Hearings on Health Care Reform

<u>Date</u>	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Hearing</u>
2/6/07	Energy & Commerce	A Review of the Department of Health and Human Services Fiscal Year 2008 Budget
2/9/07	Oversight & Government Reform	Financial Impacts of Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in Pharmaceutical Pricing
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
3/26/07	Oversight & Government Reform	Examining Sage and Affordable Generic Biotech Drugs
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

5/16/07	Joint Economic Committee	Are the Explosive Costs of Elder Care Hurting Family Finances and Business Competition?
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
6/22/07	Oversight & Government Reform	The Government's Response to the Nation's Emergency Room Crisis
6/26/07	Energy & Commerce	Predatory Sales Practices in Medicare Advantage
6/28/07	Budget	Medicare Advantage and the Federal Budget
7/17/07	Budget	Budgeting To Fight Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in Medicare
10/16/07	Ways & Means	Joint Hearing on Statutorily Required Audits of Medicare Advantage Plan Bids
10/17/07	Budget	Budgeting To Fight Waste, Fraud, and Abuse in Medicare
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
11/7/07	Oversight & Government Reform	Drug-Resistant Infections In the Community: Consequences for Public Health
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
1/29/08	Oversight & Government Reform	CDC Program Providing Breast and Cervical Cancer
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

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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
4/16/08	Oversight & Government Reform	Healthcare-Associated Infections: A Preventable Epidemic
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
7/24/08	Oversight & Government Reform	The Medicare Drug Benefit: Are Private Insurers Getting Good Discounts for the Taxpayer?
7/24/09	Joint Economic Committee	Egregious Price Increases In the Pharmaceutical Industry
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
6/25/09	Energy & Commerce	Hearing on Forthcoming Draft Proposal of Health Care Reform
7/8/09	Small Business	Physician Shortage and Health Care Reforms
7/14/09	Judiciary	Biologics and Biosimilars: Balancing Incentives for Innovation
7/27/09	Energy & Commerce	Terminations of Health Policies By Insurance Companies: State Perspectives & Legislative Solutions
7/28/09	Judiciary	Medical Debt – Is Our Health Care System Bankrupting Americans?
7/31/09	Small Business	Costs and Challenges of Electronic Health Records to Small Medical Practices
9/10/09	Joint Economic Committee	Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage: Assessing Key Census Indicators of Family Well-Being in 2008
9/24/09	Science & Technology	The Potential Need for Measurement Standards to Facilitate the Research & Development of Biologic Drugs
10/8/09	Judiciary	Health Insurance Industry Antitrust Enforcement Act
10/15/09	Energy & Commerce	Insured But Not Covered: The Problem Of Underinsurance
10/20/09	Energy & Commerce	Hearing on Indian Health Care Improvement Act Amendments of 2009
10/20/09	Energy & Commerce	The High Cost Of Small Business Health Insurance: Limited Options, Limited Coverage