

OPIOID LEGISLATION

Why we are introducing these bills:

The opioid crisis affects every community. Working on a bipartisan basis, we are taking a major step
to address this crisis. We know that to ultimately solve the opioid crisis, it is going to take years of
working together.

What these bills do:

• Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment (SUPPORT) for Patients and Communities Act, H.R. 6

Introduced by Reps. Kevin Brady (R-TX), Greg Walden (R-OR), Richard Neal (D-MA), and Frank Pallone (D-NJ)

- This legislation improves prevention and public health efforts, enhances treatment and recovery programs, provides communities more tools, and bolsters our efforts to fight deadly illicit synthetic drugs like fentanyl.
- Preventing Addiction for Susceptible Seniors (PASS) Act, H.R. 5773
 Introduced by Chairman Peter Roskam (R-IL) and Rep. Terri Sewell (D-AL)
 - Our legislation improves program integrity requirements surrounding prescribing and health plan communication, expanding services to assist patients that have been prescribed opioids.
- Providing Reliable Options for Patients and Educational Resources (PROPER) Act, H.R. 5775
 Introduced by Rep. Erik Paulsen (R-MN), Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI)
 - We are improving efforts to educate patients and insurers on the negative effects of opioids
 as the first line of care and on proper disposal methods of controlled substances by directing
 CMS to revise pain-related quality measures for hospitals.
- Combating Opioid Abuse for Care in Hospitals (COACH) Act, H.R. 5774
 Introduced by Rep. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL), Rep. Suzan DelBene (D-WA)
 - These bills explore the education and possibilities for non-opioid treatments, improving quidelines for Medicare provisions on the use of opioids for pain treatment.
- The Dr. Todd Graham, Pain Management, Treatment, and Recovery Act, H.R. 6110 Introduced by Rep. Jackie Walorski (R-IN), Rep. Judy Chu (R-CA)
 - This legislation will help close gaps in care for pain management, expand access to non-opioid alternatives, and help expand addiction treatment for people suffering from mental or behavioral health issues and in underserved areas.
- The Expanding Oversight of Opioid Prescribing and Payment Act of 2018, H.R. 5723 Introduced by Representatives Tenney (R-NY), DelBene (D-WA), and McKinley (R-WV)
 - This bill incentivizes prescribing non-opioid alternatives under Medicare hospital payment and tracks and monitors opioid use through Medicare claims.
- The Stop Excessive Narcotics in our Communities Retirement Act, H.R. 5676
 Introduced by Representatives MacArthur (R-NJ), Tonko (D-NY), Schweikert (R-AZ), Blumenauer (D-OR), Collins (R-NY), and Kuster (D-NH)
 - This bill extends the authority of Medicare Advantage and Prescription Drug Plans to suspend
 potentially fraudulent payments in the same manner already available under Medicare fee-forservice today.