

LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE

April 25, 2016

Week in Brief

CMS [Issues](#) Proposed Rule Updating Medicare Inpatient Prospective Payment System and the Long-Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System for FY2017; Proposed Rule Shelves the 0.2% Medicare Rate Cut Under the Two-Midnight Policy.

President Obama [Signs](#) Three Health Care Bills into Law.

- [S. 2512, Adding Zika Virus to the FDA Priority Review Voucher Program Act](#)
- [S. 483, Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2016](#)
- [S. 192, Older Americans Act Reauthorization Act of 2016](#)

WHITE HOUSE UPDATE

April 20

Vice President Biden [Addresses](#) Attendees at the 2016 American Association for Cancer Research Annual Meeting.

April 21

Valerie Jarrett, Senior White House Advisor, [Posts](#) Blog on White House.gov Applauding the *Older Americans Act* Reauthorization.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

April 18

Senate Finance Ranking Member Ron Wyden (D-OR) [Laments](#) Committee's Failure to Consider the Nomination of Dr. Mary Wakefield as Deputy Secretary of HHS.

Senate Veterans' Affairs Chairman Johnny Isakson (R-GA) and Ranking Member Richard Blumenthal (D-CT) [Release](#) Statement on the Senate Confirmation of Michael J. Missal as the VA Inspector General.

April 19

Republican House Energy & Commerce Leaders [Sent](#) a Letter to CMS Regarding Concerns about the Administration's Oversight of ACA Tax Credits.

April 20

House Appropriations Chairman Hal Rogers (R-KY) [Releases](#) Statement on Zika Virus Efforts.

House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health [Advances](#) 12 Bills to Address the Opioid and Drug Abuse Epidemic.

House Veterans' Affairs Chairman Jeff Miller (R-FL) [Releases](#) Statement Lauding Senate Confirmation of the VA Inspector General and Asks Senators to Act on 21 Veterans-Related Bills Already Passed by the House.

April 21

Senate Finance Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-UT) [Announces](#) April 28 Hearing on to Examine *Mental Health in America: Where Are We Now?*

Senate HELP Ranking Member Patty Murray (D-WA) [Delivers](#) Remarks in Support of Higher Wages and Worker Protections for Home Care Workers.

Senators [Introduce](#) S. 2832, the *Fair Medicare Hospital Payments Act of 2016*, a Bipartisan Bill to Address Rural Hospital Payment Issues.

April 21

House Energy & Commerce Committee to [Markup](#) 12 Bills Next Week Addressing Opioids and Drug Abuse.

LEGISLATIVE TRACKING

BILL NUMBER/ RELATED BILLS	TITLE or SHORT SUMMARY	ORIGINAL SPONSOR(S)	COMMITTEES	LATEST ACTION
S. 2782 / H.R. 1859	<i>Ensuring Children's Access to Specialty Care Act of 2016</i>	Sens. Blunt [R-MO] and Reed [D-RI]	HELP	Introduced 4/12/2016
S. 2787 / H.R. 4588 / H.R. 4807	<i>States Achieve Medicaid Expansion (SAME) Act of 2016</i>	Sens. Warner [D-VA]; Kaine [D-VA]; King [I-ME]; Baldwin [D-WI]; McCaskill [D-MO]; Stabenow [D-MI]; Peters [D-MI]; and Tester [D-MT]	Finance	Introduced 4/13/2016

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<u>S. 185</u>	<i>Promise for Antibiotics and Therapeutics for Health (PATH) Act</i>	Sens. Hatch [R-UT] and Bennet [D-CO]	HELP	Reported out of Committee with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; placed on the Senate Legislative Calendar 4/18/2016
<u>S. 1622</u>	<i>FDA Device Accountability Act</i>	Sens. Burr [R-NC] and Franken [D-MN]	HELP	Reported out of Committee with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; placed on the Senate Legislative Calendar 4/18/2016
<u>S. 2822 / H.R. 5001</u>	To continue the use of a 3-month quarter EHR reporting period for health care providers to demonstrate meaningful use for 2016 under the Medicare and Medicaid EHR incentive payment programs, and for other purposes.	Sens. Portman [R-OH] and Bennet [D-CO]	Finance	Introduced 4/20/2016
<u>S. 2832</u>	<i>Fair Medicare Hospital Payments Act of 2016</i>	Sens. Isakson [R-GA]; Warner [D-VA]; Alexander [R-TN]; Brown [D-OH]; Sessions [R-AL]; and Kaine [D-VA]	Finance	Introduced 4/21/2016
<u>S. 2843</u>	To provide emergency supplemental appropriations to address the Zika crisis.	Sens. Nelson [D-FL]; Reid [D-NV]; Schumer [D-NY]; Hirono [D-HI]; Warren [D-MA]; Durbin [D-IL]; Feinstein [D-CA]; Menendez [D-NJ]; Reed [D-RI] and Gillibrand [D-NY]	Appropriations	Introduced 4/21/2016
<u>H.R. 4974 / S. 2806</u>	<i>Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017</i>	Rep. Dent [R-PA-15]	Appropriations	Introduced 4/15/2016

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<u>H.R. 4977</u>	To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure that each medical facility of the Department of Veterans Affairs complies with requirements relating to scheduling veterans for health care appointments, to improve the uniform application of directives of the Department, and for other purposes.	Rep. Walorski [R-IN-2]	Veterans' Affairs	Introduced 4/18/2016
<u>H.R. 4111 / S. 1916</u>	<i>Rural Health Care Connectivity Act of 2015</i>	Reps. Lance [R-NJ-7]; Cramer [R-ND-At Large]; and Loeb sack [D-IA-2]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Communications and Technology markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/19/2016
<u>H.R. 2460</u>	To improve the provision of adult day health care services for veterans.	Rep. Zeldin [R-NY-1]	Veterans' Affairs	House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Health considers at hearing 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4978</u>	<i>Nurturing and Supporting Healthy Babies Act</i>	Reps. Jenkins [R-WV-3]; Bustos [D-IL-17]; Costello [R-PA-6]; Kuster [D-NH-2]; Wagner [R-MO-2]; Poliquin [R-ME-2]; Womack [R-AR-3]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4641 / S. 524</u>	To provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management, prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes.	Reps. Brooks [R-IN-5] and Kennedy [D-MA-4]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016

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<u>H.R. 3680 / H.R. 4396 / H.R. 4435 / S. 2562</u>	<i>Co-Prescribing to Reduce Overdoses Act of 2015</i>	Rep. Sarbanes [D-MD-3]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 3691 / H.R. 4396 / H.R. 4435 / S. 2226 / S. 2562</u>	<i>Improving Treatment for Pregnant and Postpartum Women Act of 2015</i>	Reps. Lujan [D-NM-3]; Tonko [D-NY-20]; Clarke [D-NY-9]; Matsui [D-CA-6]; and Cardenas [D-CA-29]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 1818 / S. 453</u>	<i>Veteran Emergency Medical Technician Support Act of 2015</i>	Reps. Kinzinger [R-IL-16] and Capps [D-CA-2]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 3250</u>	<i>DXM Abuse Prevention Act of 2015</i>	Reps. Johnson [R-OH-6] and Matsui [D-CA-6]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4969</u>	To direct the CDC to provide for informational materials to educate and prevent addiction in teenagers and adolescents injured playing youth sports and subsequently prescribed an opioid.	Reps. Meehan [R-PA-7]; Kind [D-WI-3]; Rooney [R-FL-17]; and Veasey [D-TX-33]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4586</u>	To authorize grants to States for developing standing orders and educating health care professionals regarding the dispensing of opioid overdose reversal medication without person-specific prescriptions, and for other purposes.	Reps. Dold [R-IL-10] and Clark [D-MA-5]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016

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<u>H.R. 4599 / S. 2578</u>	<i>Reducing Unused Medications Act of 2016</i>	Reps. Clark [D-MA-5] and Stivers [R-OH-5]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4976</u>	<i>The Opioid Review Modernization Act</i>	Reps. Maloney [D-NY-18] and Lance [R-NJ-7]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4981</u>	<i>Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Expansion and Modernization Act</i>	Reps. Bucshon [R-IN-8] and Tonko [D-NY-20]	Energy & Commerce; Judiciary	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 4982</u>	<i>Examining Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Act of 2016</i>	Reps. Foster [D-IL-11] and Pallone [D-NJ-6]	Energy & Commerce	House Energy & Commerce Subcommittee on Health markup of bill; forwarded to Full Committee 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 5001 / S. 2822</u>	To continue the use of a 3-month quarter EHR reporting period for health care providers to demonstrate meaningful use for 2016 under the Medicare and Medicaid EHR incentive payment programs, and for other purposes.	Reps. Ellmers [R-NC-2]; Price [R-GA-6]; Blackburn [R-TN-7]; Kind [D-WI-3]; Rush [D-IL-1]; Matsui [D-CA-6] and Lewis [D-GA-5]	Energy & Commerce; Ways & Means	Introduced 4/20/2016
<u>H.R. 5009</u>	To ensure prompt coverage of breakthrough devices under the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and for other purposes.	Reps. Boustany [R-LA-3]; Neal [D-MA-1]; Bilirakis [R-FL-12] and Cardenas [D-CA-29]	Energy & Commerce; Ways & Means	Introduced 4/20/2016

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<u>H.R. 5020</u>	To require the Surgeon General of the Public Health Service to submit to Congress a report on the effects on public health of the increased rate of use of synthetic drugs.	Reps. Jeffries [D-NY-8]; Gowdy [R-SC-4]; Collins [R-NY-27] and Butterfield [D-NC-1]	Energy & Commerce	Introduced 4/21/2016
<u>H.R. 5021</u>	To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to follow rulemaking procedures for costly Medicaid sub-regulatory policies.	Rep. Collins [R-NY-27]	Energy & Commerce	Introduced 4/21/2016
<u>H.R. 5031</u>	To enhance Federal response and preparedness with respect to Zika virus.	Rep. Curbelo [R-FL-26]	Energy & Commerce; Armed Services; Foreign Affairs	Introduced 4/21/2016

REGULATORY UPDATE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

April 18

National Cancer Institute [Launches](#) Online Platform to Gather Stakeholder Input on National Cancer Moonshot Research.

April 19

CMS [Releases](#) Report and Data on Quality of Care for Racial and Ethnic Minorities in Medicare Advantage Plans.

CMS [Issues](#) a Letter to State Medicaid Directors on the *Free Choice of Provider* Requirement in Conjunction with State Authority to Take Action Against Medicaid Providers.

April 20

CDC [Releases](#) Finalized Vaccine Information Materials for 9-valent HPV Vaccine.

CMS [Delays](#) Release of Hospital Star Ratings until at Least July 2016 in Response to Concern over Fair and Accurate Methodology.

IHS [Announces](#) Intent to Request a Comment Period Extension for the Information Collection: *Indian Health Service Medical Staff Credentials And Privileges Files*.

April 21

CMS [Announces](#) Interim Final Rule with Comment Period on a Temporary Exception for Certain Severe Wound Care Discharges from Certain Long-Term Care Hospitals.

CMS [Seeks](#) Comments on Patient Relationship Categories and Codes in Accordance with MACRA Requirements; August 15, 2016 Comment Deadline.

CMS [Releases](#) Proposed Rule on FY2017 Payment and Policy Changes for Medicare Skilled Nursing Facilities.

CMS [Releases](#) Proposed Rule on FY2017 Payment and Policy Changes for Medicare Inpatient Rehabilitation Facilities.

Dr. Francis Collins, NIH Director, [Releases](#) Statement on Clinical Center Improvement Plan.

April 22

CMS [Extends](#) Next Generation ACO Model Letter of Intent Submission Date to May 20, 2016.

FDA [Proposes](#) Ban on Electrical Stimulation Devices for Treatment of Self-Injurious and Aggressive Behavior Due to Substantial Psychological and Physical Risks.

HHS [Awards](#) Funding to Roche Molecular Systems for a Clinical Trial to Evaluate the Effectiveness of a Blood Donation Screening Test for the Zika Virus.

HHS [Extends](#) Nomination Period for Secretary's Advisory Committee on National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives for 2030 Until May 2, 2016.

NIH [Extends](#) Public Comment Period for the Framingham Heart Study.

JUDICIAL NEWS

April 19

Supreme Court [Hears](#) Oral Arguments in *Universal Health Services, Inc. v. United States ex rel. Escobar*, a Case Concerning the Implied Certification Theory of Liability Under the False Claims Act.

OTHER NEWS

April 14

CRS [Releases](#) Insight: *Zika Virus: Global Health Considerations*.

CRS [Releases](#) Report: *Zika Response Funding: In Brief*.

April 19

[CRS](#) Releases Report: *The Affordable Care Act's Employer Shared Responsibility Determination and the Potential Employer Penalty*.

GAO [Releases](#) Report: *Actions Needed to Improve Access to Primary Care for Newly Enrolled Veterans*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS/MARKUPS

SENATE

Finance

[Mental Health in America: Where Are We Now?](#)

- April 28 | 2 p.m.
215 Dirksen Senate Office Building

Special Committee on Aging

[Prescription Drug Price Spikes](#)

- April 27 | 3:30 p.m.
216 Hart Senate Office Building

HOUSE

Energy & Commerce

[Vote on H.R. 4978, H.R. 4641, H.R. 3680, H.R. 3691, H.R. 1818, H.R. 4981, H.R. 3250, H.R. 4969, H.R. 4586, H.R. 4599, H.R. 4976, H.R. 4982, H.R. 4889, H.R. 4167, H.R. 4111, H.R. 4190, H.R. 3998, H.R. 2031, H.R. 2589,](#)

[H.R. 2592, H.R. 2593, and Pipeline Safety Act of 2016](#)

- April 26 | 5 p.m.
- April 27 | 10 a.m.
- April 28 | 10 a.m.
2123 Rayburn House Office Building

[Democratic Forum on "Achieving Health Equity: The Path Forward"](#)

- April 29 | 11 a.m.
215 House (Capitol) Visitor Center

Veterans' Affairs

[Legislative Hearing on Draft Legislation, "To amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the appeals process of the Department of Veterans Affairs"](#)

- April 28 | 11 a.m.
334 Cannon House Office Building

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Meeting of the Big Data to Knowledge Multi-Council Working Group

Discussion on Big Data to Knowledge activities and newly proposed initiatives.

- April 25 | 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Teleconference

Meeting of the Advisory Council for the Elimination of Tuberculosis

Discussion on the recommendations of the USPSTF and on the draft of TB treatment guidelines, among other things.

- April 26 | 10 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
via webcast

Meeting of the Muscular Dystrophy Coordinating Committee

Update on process relevant to the Action Plan for the Muscular Dystrophies, coordinate activities, and discuss gaps.

- April 27 | 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Neuroscience Center
Conference Room C/D
6001 Executive Boulevard
Bethesda, Maryland 20892
and via webcast

Meeting of the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee

Recommendations on the definition of TRD and to advise CMS on the use of the definition of TRD in the context of coverage.

- April 27 | 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
CMS Main Auditorium
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21244

Meeting of the Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services

Consideration of recommendations of subcommittees for updates to the 2016 National Plan and presentations on the Dementia Friendly America campaign, among other things.

- April 29 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Hubert H. Humphrey Building
Room 800
200 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20201

Meeting of the National Advisory Board on Medical Rehabilitation Research

Discussion on the NICHD and NCMRR Director's reports, NICHD training activities, review of Cerebral Palsy workshop, operationalizing NIH rehabilitation research plan, common data elements in rehabilitation research, and promoting rehabilitation research grant applications.

- May 2 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 3 | 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Bethesda Marriott Suites
6711 Democracy Boulevard
Bethesda, MD 20817

National Advisory Council on Drug Abuse

Discussion on announcements and reports of administrative, legislative, and program developments in the drug abuse field.

- May 4 | 8:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.
NIH
Neuroscience Center
6001 Executive Boulevard
Rockville, MD 20852

Public Meeting of the Presidential Commission for the Study of Bioethical Issues

Discussion on the evolving role of national bioethics advisory bodies and their contributions to health policy as well as perspectives about similar bodies and the future of the Commission.

- May 3 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Grand Hyatt Washington Hotel
1000 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

Office of Global Affairs: Stakeholder Listening Session in Preparation for the 69th World Health Assembly

An informal Stakeholder Listening Session to assist the HHS Office of Global Affairs prepares the U.S. delegation for the World Health Assembly.

- May 6 | 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Hubert H. Humphrey Building
Room 505A
200 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20201
RSVP required

Meeting of the Advisory Committee on Heritable Disorders in Newborns and Children

Presentations and discussions on newborn screening, long-term follow-up, the Newborn Sequencing in Genomic Medicine and Public Health projects, screening for lysosomal storage disorders, and prenatal education regarding newborn screening bloodspots, among others.

- May 9 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 10 | 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Fishers Lane Conference Center
Terrace Level
5635 Fishers Lane
Rockville, MD 20852
and via webcast

Meeting of the Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health

Provide recommendations and advice to the National Prevention, Health Promotion, and Public Health Council.

- May 9 | 8:45 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 10 | 8:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.
CDC Washington Office
Room 9000
395 E Street SW
Washington, DC 20201
and via teleconference

Meeting of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Biotechnology Information

- May 10 | 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 2 – 3 p.m.
National Library of Medicine
Building 38, 2nd Floor
The Lindberg Room
8600 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20892

Meeting of the Frederick National Laboratory Advisory Committee to the National Cancer Institute

Discussion on ongoing and new activities.

- May 11 | 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.
National Cancer Institute
Shady Grove
Conference Room TE406
9609 Medical Center Drive
Rockville, MD 20850
and via videocast

National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences: Cures Acceleration Network Review Board Meeting

Report from the Institute Director and other staff.

- May 12 | 8:30 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.
NIH
Conference Room 10
Building 31, C Wing
45 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892

Understanding the IMPACT Act-Patient and Family Focused for Informed Decision Making

Discussion on the IMPACT act.

- May 12 | 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.
Teleconference

Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System Public Meeting

Discussion on preliminary coding and payment determinations for new public requests for HCPCS revisions.

- May 17 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 18 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 19 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- June 1 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- June 2 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
CMS Main Auditorium
Central Building
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21244

National Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Advisory Council Meeting

Presentation on the Director's Report and other scientific presentations.

- May 18 | 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
NIH
Room 10, Conference Center
6th Floor, Building 31, C Wing
31 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892

National Advisory Council on Migrant Health

Discussion on the services and issues related to the health of migratory and seasonal agricultural workers and their families and formulation of recommendations.

- May 17 | 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 18 | 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Hyatt Regency Bethesda
7400 Wisconsin Avenue
Bethesda, MD 20814

2015 Mid-Year QRURs Webcast

Overview of the 2015 MYQRURs and explanation of how to interpret and use the information.

- May 19 | 1:30 p.m. – 3 p.m.
via webcast

Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering

Discussion on the report from the Institute Director, presentation of task force reports, and scientific presentation.

- May 19 | 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
The William F. Bolger Center
Franklin Building
Classroom 15/16
9600 Newbridge Drive
Potomac, MD 20854

Council of Councils Meeting

Agenda includes NIH updates, Undiagnosed Disease Network, Zika virus, updates from NHGRI, NIH Precision Medicine Initiative Cohort Program; input on the Office of Behavioral and Social Sciences Research Strategic Plan; update on Common Fund Program.

- May 20 | 8:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
- May 20 | 2 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.
NIH
Conference Room 19
6th Floor
Building 31, C Wing
45 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892

Meeting of the National Advisory General Medical Sciences Council

Discussion of program policies and issues and the report of the Director, NIGMS.

- May 20 | 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.
NIH
Conference Rooms E1 & E2
Natcher Building
45 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892
and via videocast

Meeting of the National Institute of Aging Board of Scientific Counselors

- May 24 | 8:15 a.m. – 7 p.m.
- May 25 | 8:15 a.m. – 3 p.m.
National Institute on Aging
Biomedical Research Center
3rd Floor Conference Room
251 Bayview Boulevard
Baltimore, MD 21224
Select sessions open to the public.

Meeting of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS

Discussions of Health System Transformations, the Updated National HIV/AIDS Strategy, and food as medicine.

- May 24 | 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
- May 25 | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Hubert H. Humphrey Building
Room 800
200 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20201

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Subcommittee on Privacy, Confidentiality & Security Meeting

Gather industry input on existing guidance and limitations of the de-identification methodologies of protected health information to make recommendations to the Secretary.

- May 24 | 9 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- May 25 | 9 a.m. – 5:15 p.m.
Hubert H. Humphrey Building
Room 705A
200 Independence Ave. SW
Washington, DC 20201

Meeting of the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke

Report by NINDS Director, report by the Associate Director for Extramural Research, administrative and program developments, and overview of NINDS Intramural Program.

- May 26 | 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
NIH
Room 10
Building 31, C-Wing, 6th Floor
31 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892

Meeting of the PubMed Central National Advisory Committee

Meeting to review and analyze systems.

- June 7 | 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m.
National Library of Medicine
The Lindberg Room
Building 38, 2nd Floor
8600 Rockville Pike
Bethesda, MD 20892

Meeting of the President's Cancer Panel Examination of the cancer drug cost and access landscape.

- June 10 | 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
New York Hilton Midtown
1335 Avenue of the Americas
New York, NY 10019

National Cancer Institute Clinical Trials and Translational Research Advisory Committee Meeting

Discussion of NCI's strategic clinical and translational research programs.

- July 13 | 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.
NIH
Room 9 and 10
Building 31, C-Wing, 6th Floor
31 Center Drive
Bethesda, MD 20892
and via videocast

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans Rural Health Advisory Committee Meeting

Updates from the Chairman and Director of the Veterans Health Administration Office of Rural Health, among other things.

- May 3-4 | 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Building 40, Room 225
2815 N. Assembly Street
Spokane, Washington

National Academic Affiliations Council Meeting

Advise the Secretary on matters affecting partnerships between the VA and its academic affiliates.

- May 5 | 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- May 6 | 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Department of Veterans Affairs
The Office of Academic Affiliations
Conference Room
1800 G Street NW, Suite 870
Washington, DC 20006

Special Medical Advisory Group Meeting

Review the potential policy requiring physicians provide a 90 day notification when they leave the VA, *Pay for Performance*, and *best practice dissemination project*.

- May 25 | 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Department of Veterans Affairs
Central Office
810 Vermont Ave. NW
Room 230
Washington, DC 20420

National Research Advisory Council Meeting

Notice of National Research Advisory Council Meeting.

- June 8 | 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Department of Veterans Affairs
Room 730
810 Vermont Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20420

Clinical Science Research and Development Service Cooperative Studies Scientific Evaluation Committee Meeting

Advise the Chief Research and Development Officer on proposed projects.

- June 29 | 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
VA
American Association of Airport Executives
601 Madison Street
Alexandria, VA 22314

OTHER

Prescription Drug Pricing Reforms

- April 26 | 1 p.m.
Center for American Progress
10th Floor
1333 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20005

3rd Annual Wharton DC Innovation Summit

- April 26 | 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
- April 27 | 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.
FHI 360
1825 Connecticut Ave. NW
Washington, DC 20009

Pandemics in a Changing Climate: Evolving Risk and the Global Response

- April 26 | 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
The Nitze Building
Kenney-Herter Auditorium
1740 Massachusetts Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20036