

# LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE December 5, 2016

### Week in Brief

House <u>Passes</u> the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Cures Act. Statements Released by House Energy & Commerce Committee <u>Chairman</u>, House Ways & Means Committee <u>Chairman</u>, and Senate HELP Committee <u>Chairman</u>.

President-Elect Donald Trump <u>Picks</u> Rep. Tom Price, M.D. (R-GA) to Head HHS and <u>Selects</u> Seema Verma as CMS Administrator.

# WHITE HOUSE UPDATE

# November 29

The Obama Administration <u>Issues</u> Statement Supporting Passage of the 21st Century Cures Act.

# November 30

White House **Hosts** Event in the "Making Health Care Better" Series.

#### December 1

President-elect Donald Trump <u>Adds</u> Nina Owcharenko, Eric Hargan, and Scott Gottlieb to HHS Landing Team.

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

# November 29

Senate Passes S. 2873, the Expanding Capacity for Health Outcomes (ECHO) Act.

Congressional Committees Release Statements on the Nomination of Rep. Tom Price for Secretary of HHS: Senate Finance Committee <a href="Chairman">Chairman</a> and <a href="Ranking Member">Ranking Member</a>, Energy & Commerce Committee <a href="Chairman">Chairman</a>, and Ways & Means Chairman.

Rep. Sander Levin (D-MI) <u>Announces</u> Decision to Not Seek Re-Election as Ranking Member of the House Ways & Means Committee; Rep. Richard Neal (D-MA) <u>Takes</u> the Position.

House <u>Passes</u> H.R. 5600, a Bill to Direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to Carry Out a Pilot Program to Provide Access to Magnetic EEG/EKG-Guided Resonance Therapy to Veterans. House Committee on Veterans' Affairs Chairman Jeff Miller (R-FL) <u>Applauds</u> Passage of Veterans Bills.

# November 30

Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) Wins Re-Election as House Minority Leader.

Rep. Phil Roe, M.D. (R-TN) Elected to Head the House Veterans' Affairs Committee.

#### December 1

Rep. Greg Walden (R-OR) <u>Elected</u> as Next House Energy & Commerce Committee Chairman. Chairman Fred Upton (R-MI) <u>Issues</u> a Congratulatory Statement.

#### December 2

Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-NJ) to <u>Serve</u> as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

# REGULATORY UPDATE

## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

# November 30

CMS <u>Releases</u> Proposed Rule, *Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Programs: Eligibility Notices, Fair Hearing and Appeals Processes for Medicaid and Other Provisions Related to Eligibility and Enrollment for Medicaid and CHIP.* 

HHS OIG <u>Issues</u> Fall 2016 Semiannual Report to Congress.

#### December 2

Office of the Actuary at CMS Announces National Health Expenditures in 2015.

# OTHER UPDATE

#### November 28

Texas **Experiences** First Case of Possibly Zika Transmission by Mosquito.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

# National Cancer Advisory Board and NCI Board of Scientific Advisors Joint Meeting

Discussion on Global Cancer Research, joint meeting, NCI Board of Scientific Advisors concepts review, and NCI acting Director's report and presentation.

- December 5 | 4:30 p.m. 6 p.m.
   Gaithersburg Marriott
   Washingtonian Center, 9751
   Washington Boulevard
   Lakeside 1 Meeting Room
   Gaithersburg, MD 20878
- December 7 | 9 a.m. 12 p.m.
   National Cancer Institute—
   Shady Grove
   National Institutes of Health
   9609 Medical Center Drive
   Room TE406
   Bethesda, MD 20892

# Meeting of the Advisory Committee to the NIH Director

NIH Director's Report, ACD Working Group Reports, and other business.

- December 8 | 9 a.m. 5:15 p.m.
- December 9 | 9 a.m. 12 p.m.
   National Institutes of Health
   Building 31, 6th Floor Conference
   Room 6C, 31 Center Drive
   Bethesda, MD 20892

# **OTHER EVENTS**

# The Manhattan Institute and the American Action Forum Briefing

The Future of Healthcare: Mapping the Landscape

December 6 | 12 a.m.
 385 Russell Senate Office Bldg.

#### Politico Panel Discussion

"Emerging Health Care Leaders"

• December 8 | 8 a.m. 515 15th St. NW Washington, D.C.