

114TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 6457

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare coverage of preventive services that are required to be covered by group and individual health plans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 7, 2016

Mr. VEASEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Preventive Services
5 Medicare Parity Act of 2016”.

1 **SEC. 2. MEDICARE COVERAGE OF PREVENTIVE SERVICES**
2 **THAT ARE REQUIRED TO BE COVERED BY**
3 **GROUP AND INDIVIDUAL HEALTH PLANS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (1) of section
5 1861(ddd) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
6 1395x(ddd)) is amended by striking “means services not
7 described” and all that follows through the period at the
8 end and inserting the following: “means, subject to para-
9 graph (2), services that—

10 “(A) are not described in subparagraph (A) or
11 (C) of paragraph (3); and

12 “(B) with respect to services furnished to an in-
13 dividual during a calendar year, would be required,
14 under section 2713(a)(1) of the Public Health Serv-
15 ice Act, to be covered with respect to such individual
16 if such individual were enrolled under group or indi-
17 vidual health insurance coverage for a plan year con-
18 sisting of such calendar year.”.

19 (b) AUTHORITY FOR A NATIONAL COVERAGE DETER-
20 MINATION WHERE PREDICTED OUTCOMES FOR SERVICES
21 ARE NOT COMMENSURATE WITH EXPENDITURES.—
22 Paragraph (2) of section 1861(ddd) of the Social Security
23 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(ddd)) is amended to read as follows:

24 “(2) The Secretary may conduct, with respect to an
25 additional preventive service, an assessment of the relation
26 between the predicted outcomes and the expenditures for

1 such service with respect to individuals enrolled under part
2 B. If the Secretary determines, based on the results of
3 such assessment, that the predicted outcomes for such
4 service would not be commensurate with the expenditures
5 for such service, the Secretary may use the process for
6 making a national coverage determination (as defined in
7 section 1869(f)(1)(B)) to exclude such service from cov-
8 erage nationally on such basis.”.

9 (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by
10 this section shall apply with respect to services furnished
11 on or after January 1, 2018.

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