



Federal Bills Impacting PHA Members

116th Congress (2019-20)

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Bill	Description	Position	Status/Advocacy
HOME HEALTH			
S. 296	Would allow nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, certified nurse-midwives, and physician assistants to order home health services under Medicare	Support	Introduced 1/31/19
S. 433	Bipartisan bill to make two key adjustments in the Patient Driven Groupings Model (PDGM) to base behavioral adjustments on actual evidence and provide a phase-in for any rate increases or decreases.	Support	Introduced 2/11/19
HOSPICE			
H.R. 647	Bipartisan bill that focuses on expanding the interdisciplinary palliative care workforce and increasing awareness and promoting education and research among patients and providers. (PCHETA)	Support	Introduced 1/17/19
HEALTHCARE & FAMILY CAREGIVERS			
WORKFORCE			