



KEY FEDERAL PRIORITIES

➤ Access to Quality, Affordable, Physician-directed and Patient-centered Health Care

- Ensure that protections for people with pre-existing conditions continue
- Passage of legislation that holds patients harmless and protects them from surprise medical bills
- Passage of legislation that addresses the high cost of prescription medications by taking certain measures including placing a cap on out-of-pocket costs in Medicare Part D and spreading costs more evenly throughout the year for consumers
- Passage of the Safe Step Act (H.R. 2279/S. 2546)
- Protection of Medicare's Six Protected Classes
- Protection of the Medicaid program
- Access to safe and legal medical cannabis and CBD

➤ Funding for Epilepsy Programs, Research and Treatments in FY 2021

- \$11.5 Million for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)'s National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention & Health Promotion's Epilepsy program
- \$44.7 Billion for the National Institutes of Health
- Robust funding for the Food & Drug Administration
- \$5 Million for the National Neurological Conditions Surveillance System

➤ Disability Rights & Ending Discrimination

- Protecting the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Banning the cost-effectiveness tool quality-adjusted-life-years (QALY) which can be used to discriminate against people with disabilities or chronic conditions

➤ Research & innovation

- Passage of the Expanding Cannabis Research & Information Act (H.R. 4322/S. 2400)
- Incentivizing biomedical innovation
- Patient engagement in drug development