

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) – Outline

The health care legislation approved in March 2010 consisted of two bills:

1. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) supplemented by a manager’s amendment. (March 23, 2010)
2. The Health Care Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 (March 30, 2010)

Below is an *outline* of the health care bill showing the range of topics it covers. The Bill is divided into ten titles. Title X (the manager’s amendment) contains changes in the underlying bill (titles I – IX) that were not incorporated into the text of the underlying bill. The provisions in Title X change, even eliminate, some of the provisions in the original bill. Readers need to read both the original title and the provisions made in Title X to understand the legislation.

To see the complete text of the health care bill and more, see the informative websites are at the end of this document. Readers are encouraged to investigate those websites.

An implementation timeline covering aspects of the bill, along with explanations, are in the document entitled “PPACA Timeline” on the LWVBC website (go to the Issues Committee tab and then the Health Committee section).

Title I: Quality, Affordable Health Care for All Americans

Subtitle A: Immediate Improvements in Health Care Coverage for All Americans

Subtitle B: Immediate Actions to Preserve and Expand Coverage

Subtitle C: Quality Health Insurance Coverage for All Americans

Part I: Health Insurance Market Reforms

Part II: Other Provisions

Subtitle D: Available Coverage Choices for All Americans

Part I: Establishment of Qualified Health Plans

Part II: Consumer Choices and Insurance Competition through Health Benefit Exchanges

Part III: State Flexibility Relating to Exchanges

Part IV: State Flexibility to Establish Alternative Programs

Part V: Reinsurance and Risk Adjustment

Subtitle E: Affordable Coverage Choices for All Americans

Part I: Premium Tax Credits and Cost-sharing Reductions

Subpart A: Premium Tax Credits and Cost-sharing Reductions

Subpart B: Eligibility Determinations

Part II: Small Business Tax Credit

Subtitle F: Shared Responsibility for Health Care

Part I: Individual Responsibility

Part II: Employer Responsibilities

Subtitle G: Miscellaneous Provisions

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Title II: Role of Public Programs

- Subtitle A: Improved Access to Medicaid**
- Subtitle B: Enhanced Support for the Children's Health Insurance Program**
- Subtitle C: Medicaid and CHIP Enrollment Simplification**
- Subtitle D: Improvements to Medicaid Services**
- Subtitle E: New Options for States to Provide Long-Term Services and Supports**
- Subtitle F: Medicaid Prescription Drug Coverage**
- Subtitle G: Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Payments**
- Subtitle H: Improved Coordination for Dual Eligible Beneficiaries**
- Subtitle I: Improving the Quality of Medicaid for Patients and Providers**
- Subtitle J: Improvements to the Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission (MACPAC)**
- Subtitle K: Protections for American Indians and Alaska Natives**
- Subtitle L: Maternal and Child Health Services**

Title III: Improving the Quality and Efficiency of Health Care

- Subtitle A: Transforming the Health Care Delivery System**
 - Part I: Linking Payment to Quality Outcomes under the Medicare Program
 - Part II: National Strategy to Improve Health Care Quality
 - Part III: Encouraging Development of New Patient Care Models
- Subtitle B: Improving Medicare for Patients and Providers**
 - Part I: Ensuring Beneficiary Access to Physician Care and Other Services
 - Part II: Rural Protections
 - Part III: Improving Payment Accuracy
- Subtitle C: Provisions Relating to Part C**
- Subtitle D: Medicare Part D Improvements for Prescription Drug Plans and Medicare Advantage – Prescription Drug Plans (MA-PD Plans)**
- Subtitle E: Ensuring Medicare Sustainability**
- Subtitle F: Health Care Quality Improvements**
- Subtitle G: Protecting and Improving Guaranteed Medicare Benefits**

Title IV: Prevention of Chronic Disease and Improving Public Health

- Subtitle A: Modernizing Disease Prevention and Public Health Systems**
- Subtitle B: Increasing Access to Clinical Preventive Services**
- Subtitle C: Creating Healthier Communities**
- Subtitle D: Support for Prevention and Public Health Innovation**
- Subtitle E: Miscellaneous Provisions**

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Title V: Health Care Workforce

Subtitle A: Purpose and Definitions

Subtitle B: Innovations in the Health Care Workforce

Subtitle C: Increasing the Supply of the Health Care Workforce

Subtitle D: Enhancing Health Care Workforce Education and Training

Subtitle E: Supporting the Existing Health Care Workforce

Subtitle F: Strengthening Primary Care and Other Workforce Improvements

Subtitle G: Improving Access to Health Care Services

Subtitle H: General Provisions

Title VI: Transparency and Program Integrity

Subtitle A: Physician Ownership and Other Transparency

Subtitle B: Nursing Home Transparency and Improvement

Part I: Improving Transparency of Information

Part II: Targeting Enforcement

Part III: Improving Staff Training

Subtitle C: Nationwide Program for National and State Background Checks on Direct Patient Access Employees of Long Term Care Facilities and Providers

Subtitle D: Patient-Centered Outcomes Research

Subtitle E: Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP Program Integrity Provisions

Subtitle F: Additional Medicaid Program Integrity Provisions

Subtitle G: Additional Program Integrity Provisions

Subtitle H: Elder Justice Act

Subtitle I: Sense of the Senate Regarding Medical Malpractice

Title VII: Improving Access to Innovative Medical Therapies

Subtitle A: Biologics Price Competition and Innovation

Subtitle B: More Affordable Medicine for Children and Underserved Communities

Title VIII: Class Act -- Community Living Assistance Services and Supports Act or the CLASS Act -

Title IX: Revenue Provisions

Subtitle A: Revenue Offset Provisions

Subtitle B: Other Provisions

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Title X: Strengthening Quality, Affordable Health Care for All Americans

Subtitle A: Provisions Relating to Title I

Subtitle B: Provisions Relating to Title II

Part I: Medicaid and CHIP

Part II: Support for Pregnant and Parenting Teens and Women

Part III: Indian Health Care Improvement

Subtitle C: Provisions Relating to Title III

Subtitle D: Provisions Relating to Title IV

Subtitle E: Provisions Relating to Title V

Subtitle F: Provisions Relating to Title VI

Subtitle G: Provisions Relating to Title VIII

Subtitle H: Provisions Relating to Title IX:

The following websites provide additional information:

The Federal bill:

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/PLAW-111publ148/pdf/PLAW-111publ148.pdf>

The actual Federal legislation

<http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d111:HR03590:@@@D&summ2=m&>

Summary of the Federal bill at the Library of Congress

Information about the bill and other health care topics

<http://healthcare.gov/>

A Federal government website managed by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services. This site also provides information about health care options by State.

<http://www.colorado.gov/healthreform>

The official State portal to information on health care.

http://cclponline.org/health_care

Website of the Colorado Center on Law and Policy. Contains a variety of articles on health care.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Patient_Protection_and_Affordable_Care_Act

Information about the Federal legislation on Wikipedia

Other health care sites:

www.oecd.org

Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. Headquartered in France; 33 countries, including the U.S., are members; provides a site where governments can compare policies. For health information click on: Browse, By topic, Society, Health.

<http://bellpolicy.org/>

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The Bell Policy Center. The Center is interested primarily in Colorado legislation. Click on: Issues, Health.

www.healthcareforallcolorado.org

Health Care for All Colorado advocates a single payer program.

<http://pnhp.org/>

Physicians for a National Health Program is an organization of medical professionals who support a single-payer national health insurance.

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