

Week ahead: Congress in session, hearings scheduled on opioid legislation and FY2019 appropriations

Health outlook for the week of May 21, 2018

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- **On Monday**, Rep. Matt Gaetz (R-FL) will hold a briefing on medical cannabis research reform
- Fix the Debt, the Committee for a Responsible federal Budget and the Concerned Actuaries Group will hold a conference call briefing on “American Health Care: Rethinking the Challenges, Opportunities and Possibilities”
- CARE will begin its 2018 National Conference, May 21-23

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- **On Tuesday**, The Hill will hold a discussion on “America’s Opioid Epidemic: Youth Awareness and Prevention”
- Washington Post Live will hold a discussion on “America’s Health Future,” focusing on how challenges posed by chronic diseases, access to health insurance and the future of Medicaid will affect the health of all Americans
- The Senate HELP Committee will hold a full committee hearing on the health care workforce, focusing on addressing shortages and improving care
- The Coalition to Stop Opioid Overdose will hold a briefing on “Transforming Addiction Treatment: A Bigger, Bolder Response to America’s Opioid Overdose Epidemic”

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- **On Wednesday**, The Atlantic will hold a discussion on “The State of Care: Patient Access and Affordability”
- The Bipartisan Policy Center will hold a discussion on “Using Medicare to Improve Chronic Care: Opportunities and Challenges”
- The Senate Appropriations Committee, Interior, Environment and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on proposed budget estimates and justification for FY2019 for the HHS Department Indian Health Service
- The House Energy & Commerce Committee, Health Subcommittee will hold a hearing on “Reauthorization of the Children’s Hospital Graduate Medical Education Program”

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- **On Thursday**, the Alliance for Health Policy will hold its 2018 Opportunities for Progress Signature Series Summit on Health Care Costs in America
- The American Institute for Cancer Research will hold a news conference on “A Blueprint to Beat Cancer,” focusing on the latest research in nutrition, physical activity, obesity and cancer
- The American Psychological Association will hold a briefing on “Innovations and Challenges in Providing Mental Health Services to People in Prison and Those Re-entering the Community”

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- **On Friday**, HHS and NIH will hold meetings of the National Institute of General Medical Sciences and the National Advisory Dental and Craniofacial Research Council

**This schedule was updated on Monday, May 21, 2018. It is not exhaustive and is subject to change*

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