



*Endorsement Letter House HELP Copays Act 2025*

December 4, 2025

The Honorable Thomas Kean Jr. (R-NJ)  
House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Nanette Barragán (D-CA)  
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The Honorable Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA)  
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The Honorable Jake Auchincloss (D-MA)  
House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA)  
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The Honorable Bonnie Watson-Coleman (D-NJ)  
House of Representatives  
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Dear Representatives Kean, Barragán, Miller-Meeks, Auchincloss, Fitzpatrick, and Watson-Coleman;

We are writing to express our sincere appreciation to you for your leadership in introducing H.R. 6423, the Help Lower Patient Copays Act (HELP Copays Act), and pledge to work with you to ensure that this bipartisan, common-sense, legislation becomes law.

With rising premiums, increasing copayments, and general health care costs ballooning, Americans are struggling. People across the country, with rare, serious, and complex chronic conditions are turning to copayment assistance to help afford the specialized treatments and life-saving medications necessary to stay healthy and live long, productive lives. However, due to burdensome and dangerous practices from insurers and pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs), these patients are once again faced with unexpected bills that can reach thousands of dollars putting their health and financial well-being at risk.

We applaud this legislation that offers a two-prong solution that will eliminate the barriers to treatment for the most vulnerable Americans, and hold PBMs and insurers accountable for their deceitful practices

- The bipartisan HELP Copays Act requires health plans to count the value of copay assistance toward patient cost-sharing requirements. This would bring much-needed relief to financially vulnerable individuals by ensuring that all payments—whether they come directly out of a patient’s pocket or with the help of copay assistance—count towards their out-of-pocket costs.

- Your legislation also closes a loophole that allows many employer health plans to deem certain covered drugs as “non-essential,” which means that the insurer will not count any cost-sharing toward the patient’s deductible and out-of-pocket maximum. Your bill will require all private plans to count all cost-sharing for covered services to accrue to a patient’s deductible and out-of-pocket maximum.

These practices undermine coverage for pre-existing conditions and ignore utilization management approvals the patient has successfully navigated leading to delays in treatment access, decreases drug adherence, and costs the health care system more money. We pledge to work with you to ensure the HELP Copays Act becomes law and American patients can get the care they deserve.

Sincerely,

Academy of Nurse and Patient Navigators  
Accessia Health  
AiArthritis  
The AIDS Institute  
Aimed Alliance  
The ALS Association  
Alliance for Headache Disorders Advocacy  
Alliance for Patient Access  
Alliance for Women's Health and Prevention  
Alpha-1 Foundation  
American Academy of Ophthalmology  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
American College of Rheumatology  
American Heart Association  
American Kidney Fund  
American Lung Association  
American Medical Association  
Association of Clinical Oncology  
Arthritis Foundation  
The Assistance Fund  
Autoimmune Association  
Cancer Support Community  
CancerCare  
Chronic Care Policy Alliance  
Chronic Disease Coalition  
CLL Society  
Coalition of Skin Diseases  
Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations  
Community Liver Alliance  
Community Oncology Alliance  
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation

Derma Care Access Network  
Dermatology Nurses' Association  
Diabetes Patient Advocacy Coalition  
Dravet Syndrome Foundation  
Epilepsy Foundation of America  
EveryLife Foundation for Rare Diseases  
FamilyWize  
Fight Colorectal Cancer  
Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research  
Fragile X Foundation  
Global Healthy Living Foundation  
GO2 for Lung Cancer  
Haystack Project  
HealthyWomen  
Hemophilia Federation of America  
HIV Medicine Association  
HIV + Hepatitis Policy Institute  
Huntington's Disease Society of America  
Immune Deficiency Foundation  
Infusion Access Foundation  
Infusion Providers Alliance  
International Cancer Advocacy Network  
International Myeloma Foundation  
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society  
Looms for Lupus  
Little Hercules Foundation  
Lung Cancer Alliance  
LUNgevity Foundation  
Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc.  
Lupus Foundation of America  
Multiple Sclerosis Association of America  
Muscular Dystrophy Association  
National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors  
National Alliance on Mental Illness  
National Association of Chain Drug Stores  
National Bleeding Disorders Foundation  
National Coalition for Cancer Survivorship  
NCODA  
National Consumer's League  
Diabetes Leadership Council  
National Alliance for Caregiving  
National Eczema Association  
National Health Council  
National Infusion Center Association  
National Multiple Sclerosis Society

National Organization for Rare Disorders  
National Organization of Rheumatology Management  
National Patient Advocate Foundation  
National Psoriasis Foundation  
Oncology Nursing Society  
Organization for Latino Health Advocacy  
Ovarian Cancer Research Alliance  
Patient Access Network (PAN) Foundation  
Parkinson & Movement Disorder Alliance  
Prevent Cancer Foundation  
Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association  
Prostate Cancer International  
Pulmonary Hypertension Association  
Rare Army  
Rheumatology Nurses Society  
Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants  
Spondylitis Association of America  
Susan G. Komen  
The Headache and Migraine Policy Forum  
Triage Cancer  
US Hereditary Angioedema Association