

# The Chiropractic Medicare Coverage Modernization Act



## Support Medicare Benefits for Chiropractic Patients

The Chiropractic Medicare Coverage Modernization Act (H.R. 1610/S. 799) is a bill introduced in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives that will allow Medicare beneficiaries to fully access the chiropractic profession's broad-based, non-drug approach to pain management. Non-drug approaches to pain management have become an important strategy in national efforts to stem the epidemic of prescription opioid overuse and abuse.

Lack of Medicare coverage means seniors and other Medicare patients who require services are forced to either pay their chiropractors out of pocket or visit a provider whose standard procedures may involve drugs or other treatment options that are often unnecessary.

While the bill increases access and coverage for Medicare beneficiaries, it does not add any new services or remove services currently covered under Medicare. It simply allows patients to choose chiropractic care for services already covered.

It is vital that your federal representative hears from patients about the importance of increased access to chiropractic care. Urge your representatives and senators to co-sponsor H.R. 1610/S. 799 and thank them for their support of Medicare patients.

Both bills are bipartisan legislation addressing a nationwide issue. Access to chiropractic care will benefit more than 55 million Americans.



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