



Public Policy Alert

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Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (S 3101)

Contact Judd Gregg and John Sununu Now.

Next week the Senate is expected to take up legislation to make long overdue improvements to the Medicare program. If passed, it would bring **parity** for mental health services treatment for those **older adults** and **those with disability** who are on Medicare.

Contact Senators Judd Gregg and John Sununu and urge them to support the Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act (S 3101).

Among other things, S 3101 would:

Address the discriminatory 50% cost sharing requirement for outpatient mental illness treatment, gradually lowering it to 20% as required for all other medical treatment

Amend the Medicare Part D benefit to ensure that prescription drug plan must maintain broad access on their formularies to medications to treat serious mental illness (including antipsychotics, antidepressants and anticonvulsants)

For more information on this bill, click [here](#).

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