

Current as of: 2/15/18			2018 FMA BILL WATCH LIST	
Title	Bill # Sponsor	Position	Comm of Ref	Notes
Fail First/Prior Auth (Response time)	HB 199 Harrison	SUPPORT	Health Innovation Subcommittee- (14-0); Insurance & Banking Sub- (13-0); Health & Human Services Committee	Prohibiting prior authorization forms from requiring certain information; requiring health insurers and pharmacy benefits managers on behalf of health insurers to provide certain information relating to prior authorization by specified means; requiring health insurers to publish on their websites and provide to insureds in writing a procedure for insureds and health care providers to request protocol exceptions, etc.
	SB 98 Steube		Banking and Insurance (10-0); Judiciary (10-0); Rules (11- 0); Passed (Vote: 37 Yeas / 0 Nays); In Messages	
Retroactive Denial	HB 217 Hager	SUPPORT	Health Innovation Subcommittee- (10-2); Appropriations Committee- (21-6); Health & Human Services	Prohibit health insurers & health maintenance organizations from retroactively denying claim.
	SB 162 Steube		Banking and Insurance (10-0); Health Policy (8-0); Rules (12-0); Placed on Third Reading, 02/21/18	Prohibiting a health insurer or a health maintenance organization from retroactively denying a claim under specified circumstances, etc.
Opioids	HB 21 Boyd	WORKING ON LANGUAGE	Health Quality Subcommittee (15- 0); Appropriations Committee (19- 0); Health & Human Services Committee	Requires practitioners to complete specified board-approved continuing education course to prescribe controlled substances; defines "acute pain"; provides for adoption of standards of practice for treatment of acute pain; limits prescribing of opioids for acute pain in certain circumstances; requires pain management clinic owners to register approved exemptions with DOH; provides requirements for pharmacists & practitioners for dispensing of controlled substances to persons not known to them; conforms state controlled substances schedule to federal controlled substances schedule; revises & provides definitions; revises requirements for prescription drug monitoring program.
	SB 08 Benacquisto		Health Policy (8-0); Appropriations- (19-0); Rules (11-0)	Authorizing certain boards to require practitioners to complete a specified board-approved continuing education course to obtain authorization to prescribe controlled substances as part of biennial renewal; authorizing disciplinary action against practitioners for violating specified provisions relating to controlled substances; requiring certain pain management clinic owners to register approved exemptions with the department; providing requirements for pharmacists and practitioners for the dispensing of controlled substances to persons not known to them; establishing direct-support organizations for specified purposes; requiring a direct-support organization to operate under written contract with the department, etc.
MOC	HB 81 Gonzalez	SUPPORT	Health Quality Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee	Prohibits Boards of Medicine & Osteopathic Medicine, & DOH, health care facilities, & insurers from requiring certain certifications as conditions of licensure, reimbursement, or admitting privileges.
	HB 6007 Gonzalez		Health Quality Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee	Repeals provisions relating to board-certified specialists.
	SB 628 Grimsley		Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Rules	Prohibiting the Boards of Medicine and Osteopathic Medicine, respectively, the Department of Health, certain health care facilities, and insurers from requiring physicians and osteopathic physicians to maintain certification or obtain recertification as a condition of licensure, reimbursement, or admitting privileges, etc.
Direct Primary Care	HB 37 Burgess	SUPPORT	Health & Human Services- Committee (19-0); Passed (Vote: 97 Yeas / 10 Nays)	Specifies that direct primary care agreement does not constitute insurance & provides requirements for such agreement.
	SB 80 Lee		Senate Received - Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Appropriations	

Motor Vehicle Insurance (Elimination of PIP)	HB 19	Grall	Commerce Committee (18-7); Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading (1/11); Engrossed; Read third time (Vote: 88 Yeas / 15 Nays); Referred to Banking and Insurance; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services;	Creates Responsible Roadways Act; revises security requirements & proof of such security for owners & operators of motor vehicles; repeals Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law
	SB 150	Lee	Banking and Insurance (10-1); Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations	Repealing provisions relating to application of the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revising requirements for a motor vehicle liability policy that serves as proof of financial responsibility for certain operators or owners; requiring specified motor vehicle liability insurance policies to include medical payments coverage, etc. Effective Date: Except as otherwise expressly provided in this act and except for this section, which shall take effect upon this act becoming a law, this act shall take effect January 1, 2019
Recovery Care	HB 23	Renner	Health and Human Services (14-5); Placed on Calendar, 2nd reading (1/11); Placed on Calendar, 3rd reading Passed (Vote: 79 Yeas / 23 Nays); In messages Referred to Health Policy; Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services;	Includes recovery care centers as facilities licensed under ch. 395, F.S.; authorizes AHCA to establish separate standards for recovery care centers; provides applicability of Florida Building Code; provides applicability of licensure requirements.
	SB 250	Steube	Health Policy (7-0); Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Approps	Revising the definition of the terms "ambulatory surgical center" and "mobile surgical facility"
Baker Act	HB 573	Daniels	Health Quality Subcommittee (13- 0); Civil Justice & Claims Subcommittee (14-0); Health & Human Services Committee (19-0); Placed on Calendar, on 2nd reading	Authorizing physician assistants and advanced registered nurse practitioners to execute a certificate under certain conditions stating that they have examined a person and find the person appears to meet the criteria for involuntary examination, etc.
	SB 112	Campbell	Health Policy (7-1); Children, Families, and Elder Affairs (4-0); Judiciary (8-2); Rules	
Nonmedical Changes to Drug Formularies	HB 229	Massullo	Health Innovation Subcommittee; Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Health & Human	Limits changes to health insurance policies' prescription drug formulary during policy year; requires small employer carriers to limit changes to prescription drug formularies.
	SB 360	Mayfield	Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Appropriations; Rules	Prohibiting specified changes to certain insurance policy prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances; requiring small employer carriers to limit specified changes to prescription drug formularies under certain health benefit plans; prohibiting certain health maintenance organizations from making specified changes to health maintenance contract prescription drug formularies, except under certain circumstances, etc.
Telehealth	HB 793	Massullo	Health Quality Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee	Encouraging the state group health insurance program to offer health insurance plans that include telehealth coverage for state employees; establishing the standard of care for telehealth providers; encouraging insurers offering certain rating plans for workers' compensation and employer's liability insurance, which are approved by the Office of Insurance Regulation, to include in the plans services provided through telehealth, etc.
	SB 280	Bean	Banking and Insurance (11-0); Health Policy (8-0); Appropriations- Subcommittee on HHS (6-0); Appropriations	

Internationally Trained Physicians	HB 657	Diaz	WORKING ON LANGUAGE	Health Quality Subcommittee (12-0); Health Care Appropriations Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee	Establishes certain licensure requirements for certain foreign-trained physicians; authorizes Board of Medicine to impose licensure conditions, limitations, or restrictions on certain foreign-trained physicians.
	SB 636	Campbell		Health Policy; Judiciary; Rules	Establishing requirements to allow certain foreign-trained physicians to obtain a restricted license; requiring the Department of Health to renew a restricted license if certain conditions are met, etc
Flu and Strep Shots	HB 431	Plasencia	OPPOSE	Health Quality Subcommittee (12-2); Health & Human Services Committee	Authorizes pharmacists to test for & treat influenza & streptococcus; provides requirements with respect thereto; requires that written protocol between pharmacist & supervising physician contain certain information, terms, & conditions; requires that pharmacists authorized to test for & treat influenza & streptococcus provide evidence of current certification by Board of Pharmacy to supervising physician; requires that pharmacists submit their written protocols to board.
	SB 524	Brandes		Health Policy (TPd); Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services; Appropriations	Requiring a pharmacist testing for and treating the influenza virus and streptococcal infections to maintain patient records using certain standards and for a specified time; requiring a pharmacist seeking to test for and treat the influenza virus and streptococcal infections to obtain certification through a certification program approved by the Board of Pharmacy in consultation with the Board of Medicine and the Board of Osteopathic Medicine
PAs and ARNP (signing docs)	HB 973	Daniels	OPPOSE	Health Quality Subcommittee (15-0); Health & Human Services Committee (20-0); Passed (Vote: 114 Yeas / 0 Nays) SENATE Received; Referred to Health Policy; Judiciary; Rules	Authorizing a physician assistant to sign, certify, stamp, verify, or endorse a document that requires the signature, certification, stamp, verification, or endorsement of a physician; authorizing an advanced registered nurse practitioner to sign, certify, stamp, verify, or endorse a document that requires the signature, certification, stamp, verification, or endorsement of a physician within the framework of an established protocol and under supervision, etc.
	SB 708	Brandes		Health Policy; Judiciary; Rules	
Needle bill	HB 579	Jones	SUPPORT	Health Quality Subcommittee (15-0); Health & Human Services Committee	Cites act as "Florida Infectious Disease Elimination Act (IDEA)"; authorizes DOH to establish sterile needle & syringe exchange pilot programs upon request from eligible entities, rather than single program established in Miami-Dade County.
	SB 800	Braynon		Health Policy (8-0); Appropriations-Sub on HHS (7-0); Appropriations-(18-0); Placed on Third Reading, 02/21/18	
Any Willing Provider	HB 143	Massullo	SUPPORT	Health Innovation Subcommittee; Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Health & Human Services Committee	Prohibits health insurer from excluding willing & qualified health care provider from participating in health insurer's provider network under certain circumstances.
	SB 714	Baxley		Banking and Insurance; Health Policy; Rules	

