

117TH CONGRESS
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H. R. 7834

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to prohibit the Secretary of Health and Human Services from selecting certain activities relating to the development of anti-racism plans as clinical practice improvement activities under the Medicare program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 19, 2022

Mr. PALMER (for himself, Mr. LATTA, Mr. MAST, Mr. STEUBE, Mr. GIBBS, Mr. PFLUGER, Mr. WEBER of Texas, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. ROY, Mr. CLOUD, Mr. TIFFANY, Mr. BANKS, Mrs. HARTZLER, and Mr. SMITH of Missouri) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Preventing Racism in
3 Medicare Act of 2022”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITING THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND**
5 **HUMAN SERVICES FROM SELECTING CER-**
6 **TAIN ACTIVITIES RELATING TO THE DEVEL-**
7 **OPMENT OF ANTI-RACISM PLANS AS CLIN-**
8 **ICAL PRACTICE IMPROVEMENT ACTIVITIES**
9 **UNDER THE MEDICARE PROGRAM.**

10 Section 1848(q)(2)(C)(v)(III) of the Social Security
11 Act (42 U.S.C. 1395w–4(q)(2)(C)(v)(III)) is amended by
12 adding at the end the following new sentence: “Such term
13 does not include any activity consisting of the development
14 of an anti-racism plan (as described in the rule entitled
15 ‘Medicare Program; CY 2022 Payment Policies Under the
16 Physician Fee Schedule and Other Changes to Part B
17 Payment Policies; Medicare Shared Savings Program Re-
18 quirements; Provider Enrollment Regulation Updates; and
19 Provider and Supplier Prepayment and Post-Payment
20 Medical Review Requirements’ published on November 19,
21 2021 (86 Fed. Reg. 65969 et seq.)) or any substantially
22 similar activity.”.

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