**Title**

The Lymphedema Treatment Act

**Status**

Pending Bill

**About**

This bill includes certain lymphedema compression treatment items as covered durable medical equipment under Medicare. (Lymphedema is a condition of localized fluid retention and tissue swelling that is caused when the lymphatic system is damaged or blocked.)

**Timeline**

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| Feb 2020 | It is unclear whether the Senate will take up the H.R. 3 Elijah E. Cummings Lower Drug Costs Now Act that includes the Lymphedema Treatment provisions. |  |
| Dec. 12, 2019 | Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 230 - 192 (Roll no. 682). | PASSED  The House |
| Dec. 10, 2019 | The Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI) officially signs onto the Lymphedema Advocacy Group's letter in support of HR 1948/S 518 Lymphedema Treatment Act |  |
| Dec. 09, 2019 | Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Education and Labor. H. Rept. 116-324, Part III. |  |
| Dec. 06, 2019 | Reported (Amended) by the Committee on Ways and Means. H. Rept. 116-324, Part II. |  |
| Sept.19, 2019 | Introduced in the House |  |
| Feb. 14, 2019 | Introduced in the Senate | INTRODUCED |

Link to the letter:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/11NSSnxBDWVD0Uw\_PlIF5QCljdOEnv4Mk/view?usp=sharing

**QUICK FACTS**

**Introduced**

Feb 14, 2019

**Sponsor**

Senator Maria Cantwell

**Committee**

House - Energy and Commerce; Ways and Means; Education and Labor

**Number of cosponsors**

106

**Title**

Cancer Drug Parity Act

**Status**

Pending Bill

**About**

This bill requires health plans that cover anticancer medications administered by a health care provider to provide no less favorable cost sharing for patient-administered anticancer medications

**Timeline**

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| Date | Entry | Tag |
| Dec. 17, 2019 | The Association of American Cancer Institutes (AACI) officially signs onto a letter in support of H.R. 1730/S. 741 Cancer Drug Parity Act |  |
| Mar. 13, 2019 | Introduced in the House |  |
| Mar. 12, 2019 | Introduced in the Senate | INTRODUCED |

Link to the letter:

<https://www.access2cancercare.org/letter-to-representatives-degette-and-upton/>

**QUICK FACTS**

**Introduced**

Mar. 12, 2019

**Sponsor**

Sen. Smith, Tina [D-MN], Rep. Higgins, Brian [D-NY-26]

**Committee**

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; House - Energy and Commerce

**Number of cosponsors**

17

**Title**

CLINICAL TREATMENT Act

**Status**

Pending Bill

**About**

This bill requires state Medicaid programs to cover routine patient costs for items and services that are provided in connection with a qualifying clinical trial regarding cancer or other life-threatening conditions.

**Timeline**

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| Date | Entry | Tag |
| Feb 21, 2020 | The Cancer Letter publishes an article talking about the efforts of a coalition of over 100 cancer groups, including AACI, urging Congress to include the CLINICAL TREATMENT Act in an upcoming health care extenders package. [*The Cancer Letter, 2/21/2020*](https://cancerletter.com/articles/20200221_4/) |  |
| Feb. 15, 2019 | AACI is featured on a community endorsement letter, spearheaded by the Association for Clinical Oncology (ASCO), in support of H.R. 913, the CLINICAL TREATMENT Act. |  |
| Jan.30, 2019 | Introduced in House | INTRODUCED |

The Cancer Letter:

<https://cancerletter.com/articles/20200221_4/>

A community endorsement letter:

<https://www.asco.org/sites/new-www.asco.org/files/content-files/blog-release/pdf/2019-clinical-treatment-act-community-support-letter.pdf>

**QUICK FACTS**

**Introduced**

Mar. 12, 2019

**Sponsor**

Representative Ben Ray Lujan

(Clickable Link: <https://www.congress.gov/member/ben-lujan/L000570?searchResultViewType=expanded&KWICView=false>)

**Committee**

House - Energy and Commerce

**Number of cosponsors**

30