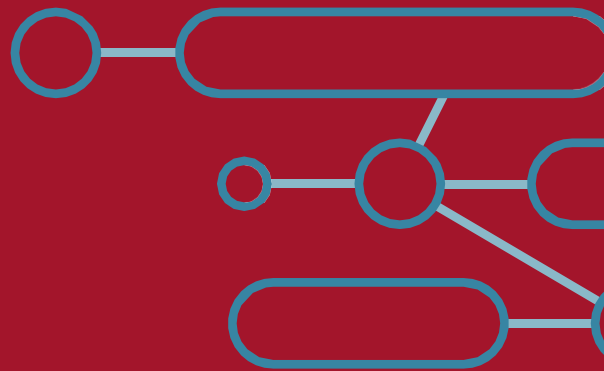


# The Alternatives to Prevent Addiction in the Nation Act (H.R. 7142)



## KEY STATISTICS



In 2021, **over 1 million** seniors were diagnosed with an opioid use disorder.



Over **50,000 seniors** suffered an opioid overdose from prescription opioids, illicit opioids, or both.



The Joint Economic Committee estimates that the opioid crisis cost U.S. taxpayers **\$1.5 trillion** in 2020 alone.



Overdose deaths among seniors have soared by more than **60 percent** in the last decade.

## OVERVIEW

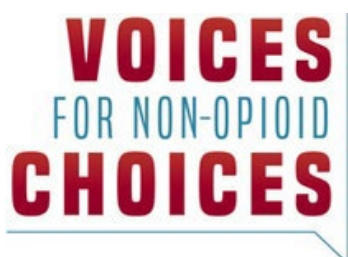
The Alternatives to Prevent Addiction in the Nation Act (Alternatives to PAIN Act), H.R. 7142, will prevent unnecessary exposure to opioids and open up access to innovative pain management therapies for American seniors.

The Alternatives to PAIN Act will:

- ◆ Establish patient cost-sharing no greater than generic tier for patients receiving non-opioid based pain relief under Medicare Part D plans.
- ◆ Prohibit the utilization of step therapy and prior authorization for non-opioid pain management drugs for Medicare Part D beneficiaries.

This bipartisan bill is led by Reps. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA) and Tony Cárdenas (D-CA).

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