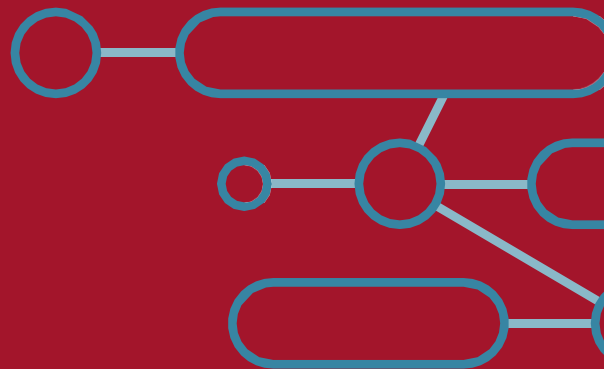


The Alternatives to Prevent Addiction in the Nation Act (S. 3832 / H.R. 7142)



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

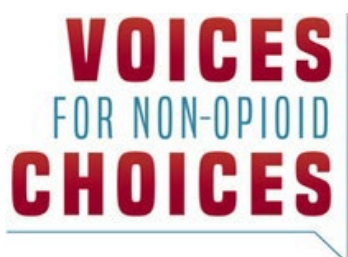
The Alternatives to Prevent Addiction in the Nation Act (Alternatives to PAIN Act), S. 3832/ H.R. 7142, will prevent unnecessary exposure to opioids and open up access to innovative pain management therapies for American seniors.

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, bicameral bill is led by Sens. Thom Tillis (R-NC) and Mark Kelly (D-AZ), and Reps. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA) and Tony Cárdenas (D-CA).

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