

Legislative Update

Office of Legislative Policy and Analysis

Advisory Committee to the Director
December 4, 2009



Congressional Activity Involving NIH

January 2009 to Date

- Hearings: 18
- Courtesy Visits: 21
- Briefings: 27
- Member Visits to NIH: 3
- Bills Introduced: 154

Health Care Reform Provisions of Interest to NIH

- Autism
- Comparative Effectiveness
- Emergency Medicine
- Health Care Quality
- Pain
- Postpartum Depression
- Prevention and Wellness

Comparative Effectiveness

■ House Organizational Model

-- Center within AHRQ; trust fund; Commission; conduct/support CER; research methodologies; data resources; advisory panels; set research priorities and agenda.

■ Senate Organizational Model

-- Non-profit institute; trust fund; governing board; conduct/support CER; research methodologies; data resources; advisory panels; agreements with Federal agencies; set research priorities and agenda.

Status

- House bill passed on November 7
- Senate bill under consideration
- Conference to be held
- House/Senate Pass conference bill
- President signs
- Effective Date
- **OUTLOOK: NOT THIS SESSION**