

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Colleague –

SUPPORT PATIENT CHOICE – REPEAL LIMITS ON HSAs and FSAs!

Become a Cosponsor of the Patients' Freedom to Choose Act

The Patients' Freedom to Choose Act would repeal two provisions included in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 that limit a patient's choice in how to use their consumer-directed health plans.

- ObamaCare will prohibit individuals from using funds from their Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) or Flexible Spending Accounts (FSAs) to purchase over-the-counter medication such as cold and flu medicine, baby ointments, and pain relievers unless they have a prescription from their doctor
- In 2013, the newly enacted law institutes a federal cap on annual contributions for all FSAs of \$2,500, limiting over eighty percent of all large employers to adhere to this threshold
- These two provisions will cost families over \$5 billion dollars
- 10 million Americans now are enrolled in HSAs and over 35 million people have FSAs, while 85% of all large employers offer them as a benefit to their employees

Our bill would repeal both these provisions, preventing further government control of health care options. The National Federation of Independent Business, the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, the National Retail Federation, and the Employers Council on Flexible Compensation have endorsed this legislation.

For more information or to cosponsor, please contact Katie Meyer in Rep. Paulsen's office at katie.meyer@mail.house.gov or at x52871.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress