

House Health & Human Services

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HB26-1122 Mandatory Coverage Hormone Repl Therapy

Typed Text of Testimony Submitted

Name, Position, Representing	Typed Text of Testimony
Diana Hurst Against themselves	No. I do not support Medicaid paying for hormone replacement therapy.
Tammy McLamb For themselves	<p>Good afternoon Madam Chairwoman and fellow committee members,</p> <p>My name is Tammy McLamb. I'm here to testify today as a woman, a mother of two adult daughters and as a nurse. In my career, I have witnessed the barriers to access and quality health care to women.</p> <p>In the summer of 2024 the FTC published an interim report highlighting the destructiveness of PBMs and the lack of access to our underserved and minority communities. They have done great harm to our country and access to care, especially for women. Implementing mandatory health care coverage for hormone replacement therapy is right and just.</p> <p>Those of us who are old enough to remember and have witnessed the evolution of healthcare in this country can be thankful. But, the work is not yet finished. Today it's time to raise the bar higher. You each have an opportunity to speak as one strong voice for women with your vote. It's time!</p>

	<p>As a nurse, it's my duty to advocate for all of my clients. They trust us and look to us to be a voice for them. We have a moral imperative to provide access to care for women in this country.</p> <p>When you vote today please prayerfully consider your grandmother, mother, aunt, sister, daughter, neighbor and friends. Most importantly, remember the stranger who looks to all of you to stand up and advocate for their better quality of health care.</p> <p>Thank you for the opportunity to share my voice, a woman's voice, with all of you today.</p> <p>Tammy McLamb, RN, BSN, MBA, MSN (Candidate)</p>
<p>jeany rush For themselves</p>	<p>TO: HOUSE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE</p> <p>RE: HB26-1122 MANDATORY COVERAGE HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY</p> <p>SPONSOR: KELTIE</p> <p>FROM: JEANY RUSH, COLORADO CONSTITUENT 2-14-26</p> <p>VOTE: YES</p> <p>“The bill requires all health benefit plans in the state and the medicaid program to provide coverage for hormone replacement therapy, as prescribed by licensed physicians, for women who are experiencing menopause or perimenopause.”</p> <p>This is a good idea for the implementation into all individual and small group, large, health benefit plans in the state and Medicaid programs. This is often a very ignored category, as are issues that complicate healthcare for women.</p> <p>If I understand this, it is based on the Federal authorization and participation for the medical assistance program, and will include Hormone replacement therapy for a woman experiencing these symptoms, when prescribed by a licensed physician.</p>

	Thank you for including this bill!
Ingrid Moore For themselves	<p>I strongly SUPPORT this bill.</p> <p>The bill addresses a significant women's health issue by guaranteeing coverage for a treatment that can improve quality of life during a natural biological transition that is under-treated in our society.</p> <p>In my experience with insurance, most drug policies do NOT cover prescription menopause medications like estrogen, progesterone, estrogen creams, etc. Even when they do, the cost-share amount is very high and is definitely a barrier to many, many women. The requirement for prior authorization is completely unnecessary and is a tactic used to delay or prevent treatment.</p> <p>Please vote YES on this bill!</p>