

**Committee on Energy and Commerce**  
**Opening Statement as Prepared for Delivery**  
**of**  
**Subcommittee on Health Ranking Member Anna Eshoo**

*Markup of 13 Bills, Full Committee*

**June 12, 2024**

Good morning, colleagues. Today, we will consider 13 bills. First, we will consider several bills to make the Medicaid program more efficient by ensuring enrollment information for physicians and patients is up to date.

Second, we will consider the SHINE For Autumn Act, legislation introduced by Congresswoman Castor and Kelly to close gaps in stillbirth data, research and awareness to ensure all moms have healthy babies.

Third, we will consider the Women and Lung Cancer Research and Preventive Services Act, legislation to move the needle on the alarming increase of lung cancer diagnoses among young women who have never smoked by commissioning more research on prevention and treatment.

Unfortunately, we haven't reached bipartisan agreement yet on my legislation, the innovation in Pediatric Drugs Act, and it was not included in the markup. I plan to continue bipartisan negotiations with Chairwoman Rodgers, Ranking Member Pallone, and Congressman Bilirakis to identify an offset or work-around to accommodate increased funding for the NIH Best Pharmaceuticals for Children Act Program. The program is critical for studying new uses for drugs to treat children once the drugs lose their patent protections.

My sincere gratitude to Chairwoman Rodgers, Ranking Member Pallone, and Congressman Bilirakis for working with me on this important issue. It's hard work to find an agreement and I thank you and your staff for working closely with me to get the legislation to where it is today. And where we are today is very close to the finish line.

I look forward to finding a bipartisan solution so we can bring a balanced, comprehensive package of bills to improve treatments for children to the full Committee for consideration in the coming weeks. I applaud the work that went into the bipartisan proposals before us today and I look forward to a productive markup. Thank you and I yield back.