



# THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

## MEMORANDUM

November 18, 2013

To: Health Subcommittee Members

From: Majority Committee Staff

Re: Hearing entitled “Examining Public Health Legislation to Help Local Communities”

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On Wednesday, November 20, 2013, the Subcommittee on Health will hold a hearing entitled “Examining Public Health Legislation to Help Local Communities.” The Subcommittee will convene at 2:00 p.m. in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building. This hearing will focus on seven bills. Below is background on the hearing.

### **I. Witnesses<sup>1</sup>**

Marsha Ford, MD, FACMT  
President  
American Association of Poison Control Centers

Edward R.B. McCabe, MD, PhD  
Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer  
Office of Medicine and Health Promotion  
March of Dimes Foundation

Laura Crandall  
Co-Founder  
Sudden Unexplained Death In Childhood Program  
CJ Foundation for SIDS

Robert Mt. Joy  
CEO  
Cornerstone Care Inc.

### **II. Background**

The Subcommittee will review the following bills:

H.R. \_\_\_\_\_, Poison Center Network Act of 2013—The bill would reauthorize important activities related to poison control centers.

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<sup>1</sup> Additional witnesses will be added.

H.R. \_\_\_\_\_, National All-Schedules Prescription Electronic Reporting (NASPER) Reauthorization Act—The bill would reauthorize the NASPER program, which supports State prescription drug monitoring programs.

H.R. 610, To provide for the establishment of the Tick-Borne Diseases Advisory Committee—H.R. 610 would help ensure the coordination of efforts at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to better understand, treat, and prevent tick-borne diseases, including Lyme's Disease.

H.R. 669, Sudden Unexpected Death Data Enhancement and Awareness Act—H.R. 669 would help improve the understanding of sudden unexpected death.

H.R. 1098, Traumatic Brain Injury Reauthorization Act—H.R. 1098 would continue important programs related to brain injury research.

H.R. 1281, Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013—H.R. 1281 would reauthorize critical activities related to newborn screening.

H.R. 2703, Family Health Care Accessibility Act of 2013—H.R. 2703 would provide Federal Torts Claim Act protection for health care professionals who volunteer their time at community health centers.

### **III. Conclusion**

Should you have any questions regarding the hearing, please contact Brenda Destro or Katie Novaria at 202-225-2927.