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# H. R. 1066

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2023

Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER (for herself and Mr. BILIRAKIS) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Collecting and Ana-  
5 lyzing Resources Integral and Necessary for Guidance for  
6 Social Determinants Act of 2023” or the “CARING for  
7 Social Determinants Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO ISSUE GUIDANCE TO CLARIFY**  
2 **STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS SOCIAL DETER-**  
3 **MINANTS OF HEALTH IN THE MEDICAID PRO-**  
4 **GRAM AND THE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSUR-**  
5 **ANCE PROGRAM.**

6 Not later than 3 years after the date of the enact-  
7 ment of this Act, and not less frequently than once every  
8 3 years thereafter, the Secretary of Health and Human  
9 Services shall update the State Health Office letter 21-  
10 001, issued on January 7, 2021, to clarify strategies to  
11 address social determinants of health under the Medicaid  
12 program and the Children's Health Insurance Program.

13 Such update shall include the following:

14 (1) Guidance to State Medicaid agencies re-  
15 garding the strategies that States can implement  
16 under authorities in existence as of such update  
17 under title XIX of the Social Security Act, title XXI  
18 of such Act, or section 1115 of such Act to address  
19 social determinants of health in the provision of  
20 health care, including strategies specifically tar-  
21 geting children receiving medical assistance under a  
22 State plan under title XIX of such Act (or a waiver  
23 of such plan) or child health assistance under a  
24 State child health plan under title XXI of such Act.

25 (2) Guidance on how States can encourage and  
26 incentivize managed care entities to address social

1 determinants of health through contracts with such  
2 entities.

3 (3) Updated examples from States with respect  
4 to how States are addressing social determinants of  
5 health in the provision of health care under the Med-  
6 icaid program under title XIX of the Social Security  
7 Act and the Children’s Health Insurance Program  
8 under title XXI of such Act, including through pay-  
9 ment models.

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