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Neurosurgeons Applaud Introduction of Bill to Streamline Prior Authorization in Medicare
The AANS and the CNS are optimistic that Congress will pass this critical legislation this year.

Washington, DC—Today, the American Association of Neurological Surgeons (AANS) and Congress of Neurological Surgeons (CNS) applauded the introduction of the *Io rtqxkpi SgpkqtuøTko gnf Aeeguu vq Care Act*, which would streamline prior authorization in the Medicare Advantage program.

With 42 original co-sponsors in the U.S. Senate and 130 in the U.S. House of Representatives, this legislative effort is led by Sens. **Roger Marshall**, MD (R-Kan.); **Kyrsten Sinema** (I-Ariz.); **John Thune** (R-S.D.) and **Sherrod Brown** (D-Ohio) and Reps. **Mike Kelly** (R-Pa.), **Suzan DelBene** (D-Wash.), **Ami Bera**, MD, (D-Calif.) and **Larry Bucshon**, MD, (R-Ind.). This bipartisan bill would codify and enhance elements of the Advancing Interoperability and Improving Prior Authorization Processes <u>rule</u> that was finalized by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)