



AEHIS Public Policy – Accomplishments 2018: Midyear Overview

Congress

Invited to testify before key committee

AEHIS Board Chair Erik Decker was invited to testify before the [House Energy and Commerce Committee, Health Subcommittee](#), in favor of cybersecurity provisions in the Pandemic All-Hazards Preparedness Act (PAHPA) reauthorization.

Inclusion of cyber language in key bill

As a result of our testimony and other advocacy, cyber language was included in the PAHPA (Section 401) reauthorization bill voted out of Energy and Commerce. The language would incorporate cybersecurity into the next National Health Security Strategy and specifically designate a division within the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) - the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) - as the cybersecurity lead in healthcare.

Appropriations

House Appropriations [Committee Report](#) language recommending the FDA conduct a study of cybersecurity in medical devices.

Administration

Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

FDA Releases a [Medical Device Safety Action Plan](#) which includes cybersecurity provisions including a piece on a software bill of materials.

Office of the Inspector General (OIG)

Language included in recent OIG anti-kickback [Request for Information \(RFI\)](#) that calls out consideration of cyber as a possible category for safe harbor.

National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)

The National Institute for Standards and Technology's (NIST) popular [Cybersecurity Framework \(CSF\) Version 1.1](#) included multiple adoptions of CHIME / AEHIS suggestions.

Healthcare & Public Health Sector Coordinating Council Cyber Working Group (HPH SCC CWG)

Drafted and submitted policy [letter](#) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) requesting Stark exemption for cyber donations, following approval by SCC.