Arizona Legislative Update

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U.S. President



U.S. Congress



U.S. Supreme Court

State Level



AZ Governor Hobbs

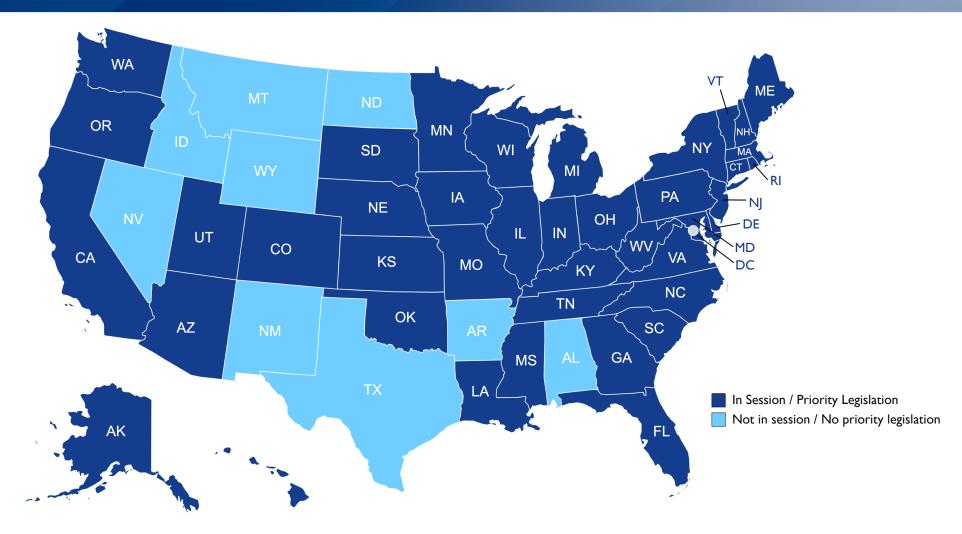


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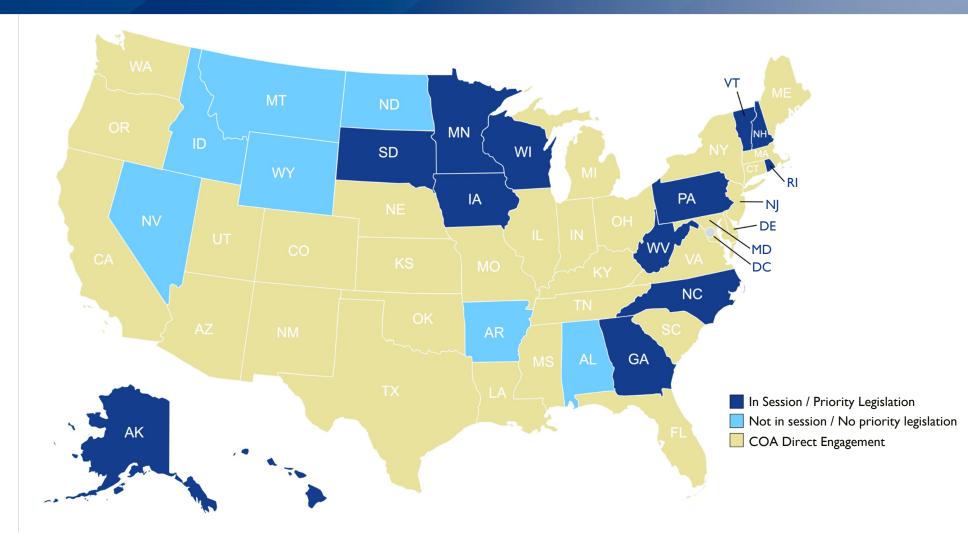


AZ Supreme Court









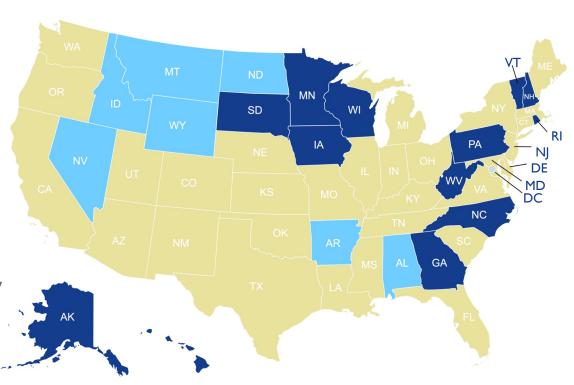


2022 Observations

- 46 States in Session
- 41 States with Priority Legislation
- 350+ Bills Monitored Across All States
- 20% State Passage Rate,
 Compared to 4% in U.S. Congress

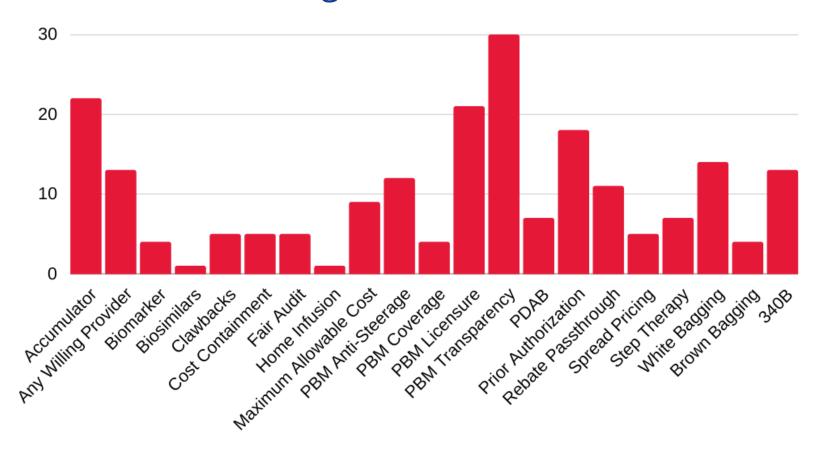
2023 Issue Focus

- Pharmacy Benefit Manager Transparency
- Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure
- Copay Accumulators Bans
- Prior Authorization
- White Bagging





Filed Legislation in 2023



2023 Arizona Legislature





Major Changes in Arizona Politics

- Democratic Governor Katie Hobbs' First Session
 - Prioritizes bipartisan budget amidst divided government control with republicans in the legislature
- 46% of State Lawmakers Are Freshmen
 - Republicans maintain control of the legislature by a one vote margin in the AZ House of Representatives
- Major Issues Hang in the Balance
 - Education, Elections, Abortion, Water

2023 Arizona Legislature





- Session Comes to a Halt Amid Election Accusations, Ethics Controversy, and a Pending State Budget
 - One House Member is Expelled
 - Liz Harris State House District 13 (R)
 - Half of House Republicans voted to expel, alongside all House Democrats, 46-13 vote
 - One Member of the Senate Vacates Seat
 - Raquel Terán State Senate District 26 (D)
 - Vacancies will be filled by the Maricopa County
 Board of Supervisors by the end of April, but could trigger additional vacancies





Legislative Timeline:

Start: January 9, 2023

Expected End: Late April to early May

Bills Monitoring:

5 Bills at time of Presentation

State Lawmakers Issue Focus:

- Biomarker Testing
- PBM Certification
- Breast Screenings and Cost-Sharing
- Breast Screenings and Coverage





Senate Bill 1052 | Biomarker Testing (Passed)

- Primary Author:
 - Senator TJ Shope (R District 16)
- Intention:
 - Updates existing statute passed in 2022

How it Works:

- Exempts limited benefit policies from requirement
- Defines limited benefit policies to include accident-only, dental-only, vision-only, disability income only, fixed or hospital indemnity, specified disease insurance, credit insurance or Taft-Hartley trusts.





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Senate Bill 1382 | PBM Certification (Passed)

- Primary Author:
 - Senator Janae Shamp (R 29th District)

Intention:

 Requires a Pharmacy Benefit Manager (PBM) operating in the state of Arizona to apply for and maintain a certificate of authority and renew certification biennially. Authorizes Director of Department of Insurance and Financial Institutions to refuse, suspend, or revoke certification.

How it Works:

 Certification may be revoked, refused, or suspended if a PBM violates state laws, does not comply with examination by DOI, license revoked in other state





Senate Bill 1382 | PBM Certification (Passed)

- How it Works Continued:
 - If a certificate of authority is suspended or restricted the following penalties will be applied each month until the PBM remedies its violation:
 - Unintentional violation \$1,000 per violation, not more than \$10,000 in a six month period
 - Intentional violation \$5,000 per violation, not more than
 \$50,000 in a six month period





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House Bill 2684 | Screenings and Cost-Sharing, Breast Cancers (Failed)

- Primary Author:
 - Rep. Alma Hernandez (D 3rd District)
- Intention:
 - Eliminate out-of-pocket costs for diagnostic and supplemental breast imaging (such as an MRI, ultrasound, diagnostic mammogram) when medically necessary.

How it Works:

- Prohibits insurers from imposing cost-sharing requirements
 on a beneficiary for diagnostic breast examinations, including
 any deductible, coinsurance, copayment, out-of-pocket
 maximum or other out-of-pocket expense.
- Includes diagnostic mammography, breast MRI or ultrasounds





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Senate Bill 1648 | Screenings and Coverage (failed)

- Primary Author:
 - Senator Eva Burch (9th District)

Intention:

Lowers the age threshold for required mammograms, from women over fifty to those forty years and older and sets coverage requirements for mammograms and ultrasounds.

How it Works:

Requires mammogram or ultrasound of the entire breast or both breasts if screenings present abnormalities or if symptoms are present; if patient is at increased risk for breast cancer as defined by medically established risk models greater than 20%; If the patient has a history of breast cancer 13



Lawmakers you should know



Sen. TJ Shope Chair, Senate Health and Human Services



Rep. Steve Montenegro Chair, House Health and Human Services



Sen. Janae Shamp
Author PBM Certification Bill



Rep. Alma Hernandez

Author Screenings and Cost-Sharing,

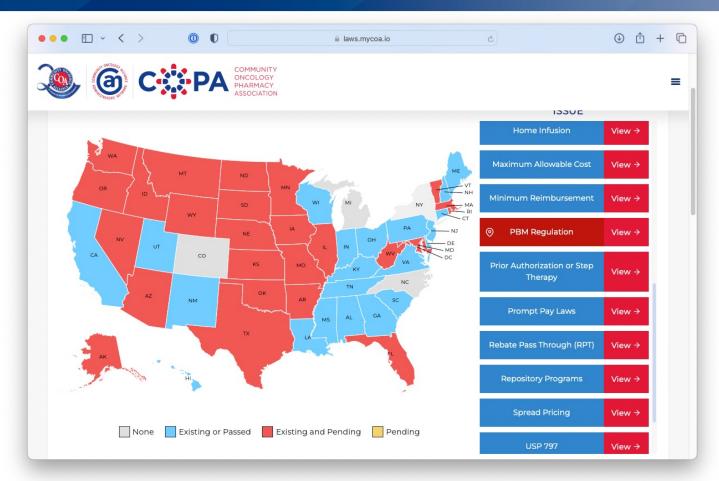
Breast Cancer Bill



Sen. Eva Burch Author Screenings and Coverage, Breast Cancer Bill Minority Whip

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