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Republicans Expand and Expedite Care for Wisconsinites

Madison--State Representative John Nygren (R-Marinette), co-author of Senate Bill 26 which reforms Wisconsin's step therapy protocols released the following statement:

“Today thousands of patients across Wisconsin will now be able to receive the right care at the right time. When Senator Darling and I first introduced this bill, we were amazed at the outpouring of support and personal stories that we received. It reminded us that the work we do here in Madison has a direct impact on the families of Wisconsin, and how important expeditiously moving this legislation was.”

“After working with various health insurance groups, patient advocates, and healthcare providers, we arrived at a bill that keeps the spirit, integrity, and patient protections of the original bill, while still ensuring the health plans have the ability to meaningfully utilize step therapy protocols in order to keep costs down.”

“However, both authors were unable to attend today's bill signing ceremony because Governor Evers did not work with either bill author on the details of the bill signing. In fact, Governor Evers ignored a request to hold the bill signing in Madison which would have made it easier for stakeholder groups, who worked tirelessly on the bill, to attend this important bill signing. This is unfortunate.”

“I would like to thank all of the stakeholders, Senator Darling, and my colleagues for leading on this important issue. Additionally, I would like to thank Speaker Vos and Majority Leader Fitzgerald for the expediency in moving this bill through the process.”

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