

Congressional Primary Care Caucus

The American Academy of Family Physicians urges Representatives to join the bipartisan Congressional Primary Care Caucus.

The Congressional Primary Care Caucus

was established in 2015 and is co-chaired by Reps. Joe Courtney (D-CT), David Rouzer (R-NC), and Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE) and is focused on advancing critical legislation that strengthens our nation's primary care system.



Representative
Joe Courtney



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David Rouzer



Representative
Lisa Blunt Rochester

By 2034, there is a projected **shortage of primary care physicians** of between

17,800 and **48,000**



[Source](#)

In addition to advancing legislation, the goal of the Caucus in the 117th Congress is to educate members of Congress and their staff on critical primary care issues and advocate for:



Strategies to address the **primary care physician workforce shortage**, especially in underserved and rural communities



Strengthening **telehealth** services in the primary care setting



Steps to **harmonize value-based care and quality improvement efforts** among different payers



Reforms to the **Graduate Medical Education program** to support the education and training of primary care physicians



Research on the value of primary care and its role in pandemic preparedness and improving health equity.

Advancing primary care includes efforts that are comprehensive of **delivery systems, connected to other health and community services, equitable to all**, and **mindful of socioeconomic factors** that may hinder access to primary care.



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