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NEXT WEEK IN WASHINGTON...

- * On Tuesday, June 21, the Antitrust, Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee will hold a hearing on drug price competition.
- * On Wednesday, June 22, the National Advisory Council on the National Health Service Corps will meet at the Health Resources and Services Administration.

1. SENATE FILIBUSTER LEADS TO SENATE DEBATE ON GUN VIOLENCE

The 15-hour "firearms filibuster," led by Senator Christopher Murphy (D-CT) on Wednesday, June 15, has led to an agreement to debate in the Senate on Monday, June 20, four amendments to address gun violence – two by Democrats and two by Republicans. The Republican amendments have not been announced, but the Democratic amendments will be one to close the gun show loophole and another one to make those on specific terrorist watch lists ineligible for purchasing firearms. It is likely that all four amendments will fail since they will require 60 votes to pass. The AAFP wrote to Sen. Schumer in support of the amendment to close the gun show loophole and to support federal research into gun violence.

2. CONGRESS ATTEMPTS TO FINISH WORK ON ZIKA SPENDING

The House-Senate conference committee appointed to finalize the spending for Zika prevention and research funds met on Wednesday, June 15. There is bipartisan support in both chambers for producing a final bill before Congress leaves for the Independence Day recess. However, the meeting made no obvious progress toward a compromise.

3. CONGRESS CONTINUES TO WORK ON AN OPIOID BILL

On June 14, the White House released the estimated amount of funding each [state](#) could qualify for under the President's proposal to expand access to opioid treatment. The president has asked for \$1.1 billion to help Americans with opioid use disorders get treatment. States would