

Fail First Puts Massachusetts Patients Last

Please support common sense guardrails ([HB 1311/SB 756](#)) to protect Massachusetts patients. As patient and provider organizations, we work every day to advocate for the health and well-being of your constituents. Under fail first policies, patients are currently required to try and fail one or more medications specified by their insurance company – not their health care professional - to treat their health condition. This one-size-fits-all approach to controlling health care costs puts patients at risk and undermines a health care professional's assessment of the best treatment option for their patient's condition.

Collectively, we urge you to pass legislation that reforms fail first policies, also known as step therapy.

AIDS Action Committee of Massachusetts
Aimed Alliance
Alliance for Patient Access
American Academy of Dermatology
American Autoimmune Related Diseases Association
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
American College of Gastroenterology
American College of Rheumatology
American Diabetes Association
American Gastroenterology Association
Arthritis Foundation
Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America,
New England Chapter
Cancer Support Community
Chronic Disease Coalition
Coalition of State Rheumatology Organizations (CSRO)
Community Oncology Alliance
COPD Foundation
Crohn's & Colitis Foundation
Epilepsy Foundation
Family Reach
Global Healthy Living Foundation
Greater Boston Sickle Cell Disease Association
Hypersomnia Foundation
International Cancer Advocacy Network (ICAN)

Lupus and Allied Diseases Association, Inc.
Lupus Foundation
Lupus Foundation of New England
Massachusetts Association for Mental Health
Massachusetts Biotechnology Council
Massachusetts Gastroenterology Association
Massachusetts Medical Society
Massachusetts Pain Initiative
Massachusetts Rare Action Network
Massachusetts Society of Clinical Oncologists
Multiple Sclerosis Association of America
National Alliance on Mental Illness, Massachusetts
National Eczema Association
National Infusion Center Association
National MS Society
National Organization for Rare Diseases (NORD)
National Patient Advocate Foundation
National Psoriasis Foundation
New England Hemophilia Association
Patients Rising
Rare New England
RheumPAC
Susan G. Komen New England
US COPD Coalition
ZERO: End of Prostate Cancer