

IBD Issues Support Tracker 2021–2022



September 2021

The Crohn's & Colitis Foundation works to find cures for inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) and improve the quality of life of patients living with these digestive diseases. One way we do this is by urging members of Congress to join the Congressional Crohn's & Colitis Caucus, support IBD medical research, and improve patient access to care by advancing legislation such as the Safe Step Act and the Medical Nutrition Equity Act (MNEA).

Curious if your legislators support the needs of IBD patients? Take a look below to see whether they have co-sponsored the bills or joined the caucus—you can see if your elected officials are standing with the IBD community by supporting our advocacy priorities! Use this information when you contact them to either thank them for their support or encourage them to join these initiatives. If you do not see your legislator listed, they have not yet taken action on our issues. Learn more about our advocacy program at <https://www.crohnscolitisfoundation.org/get-involved/be-an-advocate>.

Key Terms: Learn more about these bills and other initiatives on our [Advocacy Priorities](#) webpage. **Safe Step Act:** Co-sponsors of the federal step therapy reform bill, the Safe Step Act. **MNEA:** Co-sponsors of the Medical Nutrition Equity Act. **DoD FY21 or FY22 Letter:** Senate letter signatories supporting IBD medical research at the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2021 or fiscal year 2022. **LHHS FY21 or FY22 Letter:** House letter signatories supporting IBD research at NIH and CDC for fiscal year 2021 or fiscal year 2022. **117th:** The 117th Congress, which is currently meeting and will meet in 2021–2022. **116th:** The 116th Congress, which took place in 2019–2020.

Senate

Senators	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	DoD FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	DoD FY21 Letter
Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)		✓			✓	
Sen. Michael F. Bennet (D-CO)	✓	✓				
Sen. Richard Blumenthal (D-CT)	✓		✓	✓		✓
Sen. John Boozman (R-AR)	✓					
Sen. Sherrod Brown (D-OH)		✓			✓	
Sen. Shelley Capito (R-WV)	✓			✓		
Sen. Robert Casey (D-PA)	✓	✓			✓	
Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-LA)	✓		✓	✓		✓
Sen. Susan Collins (R-ME)	✓			✓		
Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV)	✓					

Senate

Senators	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	DoD FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	DoD FY21 Letter
Sen. Kevin Cramer (R-ND)	✓			✓		
Sen. Tammy Duckworth (D-IL)		✓				
Sen. Joni Ernst (R-IA)		✓			✓	
Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA)		✓			✓	
Sen. Maggie Hassan (D-NH)	✓			✓		
Sen. Mazie Hirono (D-HI)	✓			✓		
Sen. Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-MS)	✓			✓		
Sen. Mark Kelly (D-AZ)			✓			
Sen. John Kennedy (R-LA)				✓		
Sen. Angus King (I-ME)	✓			✓		
Sen. Cynthia M. Lummis (R-WY)	✓					
Sen. Edward Markey (D-MA)			✓			
Sen. Roger W. Marshall (R-KS)	✓		✓			
Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)	✓			✓		
Sen. Jerry Moran (R-KS)	✓			✓		
Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)	✓			✓		
Sen. Jacky Rosen (D-NV)	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Sen. Tim Scott (R-SC)	✓					
Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Sen. Krysten Sinema (D-AZ)	✓			✓		
Sen. Tina Smith (D-MN)	✓					
Sen. Debbie Stabenow (D-MI)		✓	✓			✓
Sen. Jon Tester (D-MT)	✓	✓				
Sen. Thom Tillis (R-NC)	✓			✓		
Sen. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)			✓			
Sen. Raphael Warnock (D-GA)	✓					
Sen. Roger F. Wicker (R-MS)	✓					

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Peter Aguilar (D-CA-31)		✓			✓		
Rep. Rick Allen (R-GA-12)		✓			✓		
Rep. Collin Allred (D-TX-32)					✓	✓	
Rep. Mark Amodei (R-NV-2)		✓			✓		
Rep. Jake Auchincloss (D-MA-4)	✓	✓	✓				
Rep. Cynthia Axne (D-IA-3)			✓				
Rep. Don Bacon (R-NE-2)		✓	✓			✓	
Rep. Nanette Barragán (D-CA-44)				✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Joyce Beatty (D-OH-3)					✓	✓	
Rep. Ami Bera (D-CA-7)		✓			✓		
Rep. Donald Beyer (D-VA-8)	✓						
Rep. Sanford Bishop (D-GA-2)	✓			✓		✓	
Rep. Earl Blumenauer (D-OR-3)						✓	
Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-DE)		✓			✓		
Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR-1)		✓					
Rep. Carolyn Bourdeaux (D-GA-7)		✓					
Rep. Brendan F. Boyle (D-PA-2)					✓		
Rep. Kevin Brady (R-TX-8)		✓					
Rep. Julia Brownley (D-CA-26)	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Rep. Ted Budd (R-NC-13)					✓		
Rep. Michael Burgess (R-TX-26)	✓						
Rep. Cheri Bustos (D-IL-17)	✓						
Rep. G.K. Butterfield (D-NC-1)			✓			✓	
Rep. Ed Case (D-HI-1)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Steve Chabot (R-OH-1)					✓		
Rep. Liz Cheney (R-WY)		✓					
Rep. David Cicilline (D-RI-1)	✓		✓				
Rep. Yvette D. Clarke (D-NY-9)					✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Emanuel Cleaver (D-MO-5)	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Rep. Steve Cohen (D-TN-9)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK-4)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. James Comer (R-KY-1)					✓		✓
Rep. Gerald Connolly (D-VA-11)	✓			✓			✓
Rep. Joe Courtney (D-CT-2)					✓		
Rep. Angie Craig (D-MN-2)			✓				
Rep. Jason Crow (D-CO-6)		✓			✓		
Rep. Sharice Davids (D-KS-3)		✓			✓		
Rep. Danny Davis (D-IL-7)				✓			✓
Rep. Rodney Davis (R-IL-13)	✓	✓		✓			
Rep. Madeleine Dean (D-PA-4)			✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Peter DeFazio (D-OR-4)	✓			✓	✓		✓
Rep. Diana DeGette (D-CO-1)		✓			✓		
Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT-3)							
Rep. Suzan DelBene (D-WA-1)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Antonio Delgado (D-NY-19)					✓		
Rep. Mark DeSaulnier (D-CA-11)			✓			✓	
Rep. Theodore Deutch (D-FL-22)						✓	
Rep. Mario Diaz-Balart (R-FL-25)	✓						
Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-MI-12)						✓	
Rep. Michael Doyle (D-PA-18)	✓	✓			✓		
Rep. Neal Dunn (R-FL-2)		✓			✓		
Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-CA-18)	✓			✓			✓
Rep. Dwight Evans (D-PA-3)					✓		
Rep. Drew Ferguson (R-GA-3)						✓	
Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA-1)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Lizzie Fletcher (D-TX-7)		✓			✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Ruben Gallego (D-AZ-7)	✓				✓		
Rep. John Garamendi (D-CA-3)					✓		
Rep. Bob Gibbs (R-OH-7)					✓		
Rep. Jared F. Golden (D-ME-2)						✓	
Rep. Anthony Gonzalez (R-OH-16)		✓			✓		
Rep. Vicente Gonzalez (D-TX-15)					✓		
Rep. Jenniffer Gonzalez-Colon (R-PR-1)					✓		
Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ-4)					✓		
Rep. Josh Gottheimer (D-NJ-5)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Garret Graves (R-LA-6)	✓			✓			
Rep. Al Green (D-TX-9)					✓		
Rep. Mark Green (R-TN-7)		✓			✓		
Rep. Raul Grijalva (D-AZ-3)		✓	✓		✓		
Rep. Glenn Grothman (R-WI-6)		✓			✓		
Rep. Michael Guest (R-MS-3)		✓			✓		
Rep. Josh Harder (D-CA-10)					✓		
Rep. Andy Harris (R-MD-1)					✓		
Rep. Alcee Hastings (D-FL-20)	✓			✓	✓	✓	
Rep. Jaime Herrera Beutler (R-WA-3)			✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Jody Hice (R-GA-10)					✓		
Rep. Brian Higgins (D-NY-26)			✓			✓	
Rep. J. French Hill (R-AR-2)		✓					
Rep. James Himes (D-CT-4)					✓	✓	
Rep. Chrissy Houlahan (D-PA-6)					✓		
Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)							✓
Rep. Dusty Johnson (R-SD)		✓					
Rep. Hank Johnson, Jr. (D-GA-4)	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. David Joyce (R-OH-14)	✓				✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. John Joyce (R-PA-13)		✓			✓		
Rep. John Katko (R-NY-24)		✓			✓		
Rep. William Keating (D-MA-9)	✓				✓		✓
Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA-16)	✓		✓	✓			
Rep. Robin Kelly (D-IL-2)					✓		
Rep. Trent Kelly (R-MS-1)		✓					
Rep. Derek Kilmer (D-WA-6)	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Rep. Andy Kim (D-NJ-3)			✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI-3)			✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Adam Kinzinger (R-IL-16)		✓			✓		
Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick (D-AZ-2)					✓		
Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL-8)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Ann Kuster (D-NH-2)	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Darin LaHood (R-IL-18)					✓		
Rep. Conor Lamb (D-PA-17)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Jim Langevin (D-RI-2)	✓						
Rep. John Larson (D-CT-1)					✓		
Rep. Rick Larsen (D-WA-2)						✓	
Rep. Robert Latta (R-OH-5)					✓		
Rep. Al Lawson (D-FL-5)		✓			✓		
Rep. Barbara Lee (D-CA-13)			✓			✓	
Rep. Andy Levin (D-MA-4)	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Mike Levin (D-CA-49)			✓			✓	
Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA-33)		✓			✓		
Rep. Zoe Lofgren (D-CA-19)	✓				✓		✓
Rep. Billy Long (R-MO-7)			✓		✓		
Rep. Barry Loudermilk (R-GA-11)	✓			✓			
Rep. Alan S. Lowenthal (D-CA-47)					✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Stephen Lynch (D-MA-8)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Nancy Mace (R-SC-1)		✓					
Rep. Tom Malinowski (D-NJ-7)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Carolyn Maloney (D-NY-12)	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney (D-NY-18)	✓				✓		
Rep. Kathy E. Manning (D-NC-6)		✓					
Rep. Lucy McBath (D-GA-6)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Betty McCollum (D-MN-4)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. James McGovern (D-MA-2)	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Rep. Patrick McHenry (R-NC-10)					✓		
Rep. David McKinley (R-WV-1)		✓			✓		
Rep. Jerry McNERNEY (D-CA-9)							✓
Rep. Grace Meng (D-NY-6)					✓	✓	
Rep. Mariannette Miller-Meeks (R-IA-2)		✓					
Rep. John R. Moolenaar (R-MI-4)						✓	
Rep. Blake D. Moore (R-UT-1)			✓				
Rep. Gwen Moore (D-WI-4)		✓	✓			✓	
Rep. Seth Moulton (D-MA-6)					✓		
Rep. Gregory Murphy (R-NC-3)					✓		
Rep. Stephanie Murphy (D-FL-7)					✓		
Rep. Jerry Nadler (D-NY-10)					✓		
Rep. Grace Napolitano (D-CA-32)		✓				✓	
Rep. Joe Neguse (D-CO-2)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC-AL)	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Ilhan Omar (D-MN-5)						✓	
Rep. Burgess Owens (R-UT-4)			✓				
Rep. Steven Palazzo (R-MS-4)		✓			✓		
Rep. Chris Pappas (D-NH-1)					✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Donald Payne (D-NJ-10)	✓			✓	✓	✓	
Rep. Greg Pence (R-IN-6)		✓					
Rep. Ed Perlmutter (D-CO-7)					✓	✓	
Rep. Scott H. Peters (D-CA-52)		✓					
Rep. Dean Phillips (D-MN-3)						✓	
Rep. Chellie Pingree (D-ME-1)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Mark Pocan (D-WI-2)	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Katie Porter (D-CA-45)		✓					
Rep. Bill Posey (R-FL-8)	✓			✓	✓		✓
Rep. Ayanna Pressley (D-MA-7)						✓	
Rep. David Price (D-NC-4)	✓	✓			✓		
Rep. Jamie Raskin (D-MD-8)	✓				✓	✓	
Rep. Kathleen Rice (D-NY-4)					✓		
Rep. Deborah K. Ross (D-NC-2)		✓	✓				
Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40)	✓		✓			✓	
Rep. Raul Ruiz (D-CA-36)		✓					
Rep. Dutch Ruppersberger (D-MD-2)	✓				✓		
Rep. Bobby Rush (D-IL-1)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. John Rutherford (R-FL-4)	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Rep. Tim Ryan (D-OH-13)	✓	✓				✓	
Rep. Mary Gay Scanlon (D-PA-5)		✓			✓		
Rep. Janice Schakowsky (D-IL-9)	✓						
Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA-28)	✓				✓		
Rep. Kim Schrier (D-WA-8)		✓			✓	✓	
Rep. Austin Scott (R-GA-8)					✓		
Rep. David Scott (D-GA-13)					✓		
Rep. Terri Sewell (D-AL-7)					✓	✓	
Rep. Brad Sherman (D-CA-30)					✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Mikie Sherrill (D-NJ-11)					✓		
Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID-2)						✓	
Rep. Albio Sires (D-NJ-08)					✓		
Rep. Adam Smith (D-WA-9)	✓						
Rep. Christopher Smith (R-NJ-4)							
Rep. Lloyd Smucker (R-PA-11)	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓
Rep. Darren Soto (D-FL-9)					✓	✓	
Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D-VA-7)					✓		
Rep. Jackie Speier (D-CA-14)	✓						
Rep. Greg Stanton (D-AZ-9)					✓		
Rep. Elise Stefanik (R-NY-21)					✓		
Rep. Gregory Steube (R-FL-17)					✓		
Rep. Haley Stevens (D-MI-11)	✓	✓			✓		
Rep. Chris Stewart (R-UT-2)			✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Steve Stivers (R-OH-15)					✓		
Rep. Marilyn Strickland (D-WA-10)		✓					
Rep. Thomas R. Suozzi (D-NY-3)		✓				✓	
Rep. Mark Takano (D-CA-41)					✓		
Rep. Bennie Thompson (D-MS-2)						✓	✓
Rep. Glenn Thompson (R-PA-15)		✓			✓		
Rep. Mike Thompson (D-CA-5)	✓						
Rep. Dina Titus (D-NV-1)	✓						
Rep. Rashida Tlaib (D-MI-13)						✓	
Rep. Paul Tonko (D-NY-20)	✓	✓			✓		
Rep. David Trone (D-MD-6)		✓	✓		✓	✓	
Rep. Michael Turner (R-OH-10)					✓		
Rep. Lauren Underwood (D-IL-14)						✓	
Rep. Jefferson Van Drew (D-NJ-2)					✓		

House of Representatives

Representatives	Caucus Member	Safe Step Act (117th)	MNEA (117th)	LHHS FY22 Letter	Safe Step Act (116th)	MNEA (116th)	LHHS FY21 Letter
Rep. Filemon Vela (D-TX-34)			✓				
Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY-7)					✓		
Rep. Ann Wagner (R-MO-2)					✓		
Rep. Jackie Walorski (R-IN-2)		✓					
Rep. Michael Waltz (R-FL-6)					✓		
Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-23)	✓						
Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman (D-NJ-12)					✓		
Rep. Peter Welch (D-VT-At Large)			✓			✓	
Rep. Brad Wenstrup (R-OH-2)		✓			✓		
Rep. Jennifer Wexton (D-VA-10)			✓				
Rep. Susan Wild (D-PA-7)	✓				✓	✓	
Rep. Joe Wilson (R-SC-2)	✓			✓			
Rep. Robert Wittman (R-VA-1)					✓		
Rep. Steve Womack (R-AR-3)					✓		
Rep. John Yarmuth (D-KY-3)		✓	✓		✓		
Rep. Don Young (D-AK-AL)		✓			✓		
Rep. Lee Zeldin (R-NY-1)					✓		