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AAN Statement on Passage of Legislation

WASHINGTON – The American Academy of Nursing salutes the U.S. House of Representatives and Speaker Pelosi on this hard-fought victory; they did the right thing, at considerable political risk.

But this was only the first battle in reforming American health care. Ahead lies the hard work of actually bringing reform's benefits to consumers. Health care innovations designed and implemented by nurses should be integral to that effort.

We stand ready to work with Secretary Sebelius and other officials to make reform succeed. And we will continue to partner with the health care consumers who have fought side by side with us over the years to assure that every American has access to the right care at the right time for the best outcomes possible.

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