



PLEASE MAKE THE CREATING HOPE ACT PERMANENT

- 1. The Creating Hope Act is saving kids' lives.**
- 2. It's not fair for Congress to let the Creating Hope Act expire when bioterrorism drugs and tropical disease drugs have vouchers that are permanent.**
- 3. We look forward to a permanent Creating Hope Act reauthorization bill being introduced soon.**

BACKGROUND CBVNCCV

With the support of youth advocates, the Creating Hope Act was passed by Congress in 2012. However, the Creating Hope Act will expire by 2020.

The Creating Hope Act gives pharmaceutical companies an incentive to develop drugs for kids with life threatening illness. The incentive is a "priority review voucher" that enables the pharmaceutical company to get their other drugs approved faster. Vouchers are awarded by the FDA to a company when the company's drug for a life-threatening pediatric disease is approved. Vouchers can also be sold.

The Creating Hope Act is also called the "pediatric priority review voucher program."

THE CREATING HOPE ACT HAS BEEN WILDLY SUCCESSFUL

Prices for vouchers have been from \$100 million to \$350 million, creating a significant incentive for pediatric drug development. Since the enactment of the Creating Hope Act, 18 new medicines for children with life threatening disease have been approved, including two drugs for a pediatric cancer.

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