

Statement: Civica Testimony on Drug Shortages, U.S. Senate Finance Committee

WASHINGTON, DC, Dec. 5, 2023 – Civica Inc. (Civica, Civica Rx) was invited to provide insights on drug shortages during a Congressional hearing earlier today.

"Make no mistake: drug shortages are not a passing storm that will soon blow over," said Allan Coukell, Civica's Sr. Vice President of Public Policy, in testimony before the United States Senate Committee on Finance. "After a dozen years, shortages must now be understood as a built-in and permanent outcome of our current system."

Allan joined three other witnesses for discussion on the causes of drug shortages and potential solutions for mitigating them:

- Inmaculada (Inma) Hernandez, PharmD., Ph.D., Professor, Division of Clinical Pharmacy, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of California, San Diego
- Marta E. Wosinska, Ph.D., Senior Fellow, Schaeffer Initiative on Health Policy, The Brookings Institution
- Jason Westin, MD, MS, FACP, Director, Lymphoma Clinical Research Program, Section Chief, Aggressive Lymphoma, Department of Lymphoma & Myeloma, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

Here is Allan Coukell's <u>opening testimony</u>. You can also view the <u>full hearing</u> (Drug Shortages: Examining Supply Challenges, Impacts, and Policy Solutions from a Federal Health Program Perspective).

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