

How did our AMA make sure physicians' voices were heard?

Our AMA launched a two-year campaign that helped to successfully block both of these mega-mergers.

2015

October-November

- Publicly urged the Department of Justice (DOJ) to block the mergers

2016

December

- Formed a 17-state coalition and urged state attorneys general across the country to block the mergers

March

- Testified before the California Department of Insurance alongside the California Medical Association to oppose the Anthem-Cigna merger

April-May

- Submitted comments urging Missouri Department of Insurance to block the Aetna-Humana merger



Missouri became first state to prevent Aetna-Humana from conducting post-merger business in Medicare Advantage and some commercial markets



January-February

- Met with the Utah Commissioner of Insurance alongside the Utah Medical Association to urge him to reconsider approving the Aetna-Humana merger
- Submitted comments in Florida, Missouri, California, Indiana and Georgia and with the National Association of Attorneys General and the DOJ opposing both mergers

June



California Department of Insurance urged DOJ to block both mergers

July

- Presented research to the Florida Attorney General office that challenged key claims made by the insurers in support of both mergers
- Shared research findings with the DOJ and state regulators across the country



The DOJ and a number of state attorneys general sued to block both mergers

August-December

- Developed model state legislation calling for closer scrutiny of health insurance mergers by state regulators

2017

January-February

The DC district court blocked the merger of Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna



Aetna-Humana ended their merger deal

March

- Urged the DC court of appeals to uphold the trial court's decision to block the Anthem-Cigna merger

April-May



A U.S. appeals court blocked the merger of Anthem-Cigna

Anthem-Cigna ended their merger deal

Present



Our AMA continues to analyze the impact of the proposed CVS-Aetna and Cigna-Express Scripts mergers and has asked Congress to rigorously review the CVS-Aetna merger to move medicine forward for patients and physicians in 2018 and beyond.

○ When the medical community faced the prospect of mega-mergers between Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna, our members voiced concerns about rising health care costs due to less marketplace competition.



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