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

2016
- 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

2017
- 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
- August-December
  - Developed model state legislation calling for closer scrutiny of health insurance mergers by state regulators
  - The DOJ and a number of state attorneys general sued to block both mergers

Present
- 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 Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna
  - Present

2016
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- The DC district court blocked the merger of Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna

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- Anthem-Cigna ended their merger deal

2015
- 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

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- 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
- June
  - California Department of Insurance urged DOJ to block both mergers
- August-December
  - Developed model state legislation calling for closer scrutiny of health insurance mergers by state regulators

2017
- January-February
  - Submitted comments urging Missouri Department of Insurance to block the Aetna-Humana merger
- June
  - Published research to the Florida Attorney General office that challenged key claims made by the insurers in support of both mergers
- July
  - Shared research findings with the DOJ and state regulators across the country
- August-December
  - Developed model state legislation calling for closer scrutiny of health insurance mergers by state regulators

2018
- Present
  - The DOJ and a number of state attorneys general sued to block both mergers
- The DC district court blocked the merger of Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna
- Anthem-Cigna ended their merger deal

2019
- 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 Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna

2020
- Present
  - The DOJ and a number of state attorneys general sued to block both mergers
  - The DC district court blocked the merger of Aetna-Humana and Anthem-Cigna
  - Anthem-Cigna ended their merger deal

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.