

**PhRMA president and CEO Steve Uhl on President Biden's call on Congress to lower prescription drug prices:**

“We stand ready to work with lawmakers and do our part so that patients can see lower costs at the pharmacy and continued access to the cures and treatments they need. Unfortunately, the policies the president outlined today would undermine access to life-saving medicines and fails to address an insurance system that shifts the cost of treatments onto vulnerable patients. Many in Congress know that access to medicine is critical for millions of patients and Medicare is not a piggy bank to be raided to fund other, unrelated government programs. This is a misguided approach. The recent infrastructure bill is a reminder that bipartisan reform is possible, and patients deserve the same bipartisan leadership to help ensure they have access to their medicines with out-of-pocket costs that are affordable.”