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ML Strategies has posted its weekly **Health Care Update**. This publication provides timely information on implementation of the Affordable Care Act, Congressional initiatives affecting the health care industry, and federal and state health regulatory developments.

Last week, Congress took rare bipartisan action to hear from stakeholders on how to leverage and support new technologies, including telehealth, to improve quality, increase access, and lower system costs. Following significant action from the Federation of State Medical Boards to develop a model policy on appropriate use of telemedicine, the Energy and Commerce Committee requested comments from stakeholders by mid June on what lawmakers can do to support companies and providers utilizing new technologies.

Also, the Solvaldi firestorm continues, this time as plans and policymakers consider what role public health programs like Medicaid should play in financing new therapies that are more expensive than the standard of treatment today. While Solvaldi is at the center of attention now, stakeholders are certainly looking ahead at the possible implications for a host of new therapies that are expected to hit the market over the next several years.

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