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Ilyse Schuman is senior vice president, health & paid leave policy, for the American Benefits Council. In this role, Ilyse directs the development and advocacy of the Council's health policy priorities. Before joining the Council staff, Ilyse was the Council's Policy Board of Directors Advisory Council representative from Littler Mendelson, P.C., where she was co-chair of the Workplace Policy Institute. In this role, Ilyse provided strategic counsel and representation to clients on a broad array of workplace issues and developments in Congress and executive branch federal agencies. She was also a member of the firm's ERISA/Employee Benefits practice and co-lead the firm's Legislative and Regulatory practice.



A former top congressional staff member and policy advisor, Ilyse worked on the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions from 2001 to 2008, culminating in her role as minority staff director and chief counsel. She began her work in the Senate as chief labor counsel for Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY) on the Subcommittee on Employment, Safety and Training. After leaving the Senate, Ilyse served as managing director of the Medical Imaging and Technology Alliance. Ilyse also has served as in-house counsel at a manufacturer and market and technology leader. She holds a bachelor's degree from Tufts University Jackson College and a law degree from Georgetown University.