

Implications of the 2020 Elections for Medicaid Policy

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Changes ahead

- 117th Congress
- Biden Administration
- Opportunity for MACPAC to share views with leadership

Biden Administration

- COVID 19 response including extension of public health emergency
- Caregiving
- Substance use disorder
- Administrative actions specific to Medicaid

117th Congress

- Unfinished business from current Congress likely to inform future actions
- Opportunity for MACPAC to:
 - educate new members
 - highlight policy issues of interest and prior recommendations that have not been implemented

Possible topics for letter to Congress

- Need for additional federal funds for Medicaid
- Coverage of COVID vaccine after the public health emergency ends
- Prior MACPAC recommendations related to:
 - State capacity to integrate care for dually eligible beneficiaries
 - Medicare Savings Programs
 - Medicaid Drug Rebate Program
 - Coordination of benefits with TRICARE
 - Recovery audit contractors
 - Disproportionate share hospital (DSH) allotments



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