Status of Health Insurance & Short Term Medical

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Individual Health Insurance Marketplace

- ≥ 2016 U.S. Census Bureau:
 - Private insurance = 67.5%
 - ► Employer-based 55.75%
 - Medicaid = 19.4%
 - ► Direct-purchase = 16.2%
 - ▶ 28.1 million remain uninsured or 8.8% of the population
 - Ethnicity Impacts:
 - Non-Hispianic whites 6.3%
 - ▶ Blacks 10.5%
 - ► Hispanics 16.0%

https://www.census.gov/content/dam/Census/library/publications/2017/demo/p60-260.pdf



Who is Covered?

- Likely Covered:
 - Age
 - **65+ 98.8**%
 - ► Children up to 19 years old 94.6%
 - **19-64 87.9**%
 - Disability
 - Disabled age 19-64 91.2%
 - Work Status and Private Insurance
 - ► Full-time, year-round 84.5%
 - ► Part-time or not year-round 69.0%

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ACA Coverage Then & Now

> 2013

Total Insured: 271,606,000

Uninsured: 41,795,000

> 2016

Total Insured: 292,320,000

Uninsured: 28,000,000

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Causes for Increased Coverage

- ACA
- Medicaid Expansion over 16,000,000
- Social Discourse
 - Employer mandate
 - Individual mandate
 - Awareness

https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/program-information/medicaid-and-chip-enrollment-data/report-highlights/index.html



- **2017**
 - October 2017 Trump Executive Order
 - ▶ DOL, HHS, IRS STM/AHP
 - December 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act
 - ▶ 2019 Individual Mandate Penalty \$0

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2017/10/17/2017-22677/promoting-healthcare-choice-and-competition-across-the-united-states



- **>** 2018
 - Association Health Plans
 - Final Rule June 19, 2018
 - ► Sole Proprietors & Small businesses
 - Band together
 - Location or vocation
 - Large group pricing
 - ► Effective September 1, 2018
 - ► Impact: 3,600,000 ACA + 400,000 uninsured

https://www.dol.gov/sites/default/files/ebsa/temporary-postings/association-health-plans-final-rule.pdf



- **>** 2018
 - Short Term Limited Duration Insurance (Short Term Medical)
 - ▶ Proposed Rule February 20, 2018
 - ▶ Return Federal Rule to up to 364 days
 - ▶ More than 12 months?
 - Update disclaimer language
 - ► Impact: 100,000-200,000 ACA + uninsured

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/02/21/2018-03208/short-term-limited-duration-insurance



- CMS Activities:
 - ▶ April 9, 2018 Hardship Exemption Expands for 2018
 - ▶ No QHP, county has 1 issuer, etc.
 - ▶ July 7, 2018 Risk Adjuster Payments on Hold
 - ► Conflicting court decisions, \$10.4B on hold
 - ▶ July 10, 2018 Navigator Funding Reduced
 - Grants reduced to \$10M for OE 2019
 - > 1% Navigators vs. < 40% Producers
- https://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Resources/Regulations-and-Guidance/Downloads/2018-Hardship-Exemption-Guidance.pdf
- https://www.cms.gov/Newsroom/MediaReleaseDatabase/Press-releases/2018-Press-releases-items/2018-07-07.html
- https://www.cms.gov/Newsroom/MediaReleaseDatabase/Press-releases/2018-Press-releases-items/2018-07-10-2.html



- 2019 Premiums Increasing
 - Maryland
 - ► Lowest Cost Bronze \$443 up 41%
 - ▶ 2nd Lowest Silver \$622 up \$36%
 - ► Lowest Cost Gold \$606 up 35%

https://www.kff.org/private-insurance/issue-brief/tracking-2019-premium-changes-on-aca-exchanges/



The Train Has Left The Station





NCOIL Can Help

- Short Term Limited Duration Insurance
 - ► Final Rule pending
 - ► Effective 60 days later
- Recommendation: NCOIL enact a Model Law
 - ► Mirror the Final Rule
 - Consistency throughout the US
 - ► Efficiencies for DOI's and insurers



Questions?

THANK YOU!

