

# What's at Stake?

Regardless of the 2016 general election outcome, a new administration will have to respond to pressing policy issues that will shape continued transformation of the U.S. healthcare system. What are the issues and where do presidential candidates Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump come down? Manatt takes a look.



## Marketplace/Individual Market

The Marketplaces have played a key role, along with Medicaid expansion, in extending coverage to 20 million people, but they are not fully stable and could benefit from new strategies to increase enrollment, foster competition and limit premium increases.

**CLINTON:** Supports public option, fixing the "family glitch," and other expanded consumer protections in the individual and small group markets. **TRUMP:** Wants to roll back regulation in the individual market and eliminate Marketplaces; interested in maintaining a tax credit in the individual market to make coverage affordable.



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If a Trump administration were able to repeal but not replace the Marketplace tax credits, nearly 10 million could lose coverage and the individual insurance market could become even more dysfunctional than the one we had before the Affordable Care Act was enacted.



## Other Market Reforms

The ACA has had broad impacts across Medicare, Medicaid and commercial insurance, spawning delivery system reforms and other changes, many of which have bipartisan support.

ACA initiatives.

**CLINTON:** Supports the expansion of

employer mandates and other ACA reforms.

TRUMP: Supports repeal of individual and



are unclear, and congressional leaders will need to balance the promise to repeal the Affordable Care Act with minimizing politically toxic coverage disruptions.

If the Republicans sweep, the political environment will be unpredictable. Trump's personal priorities



### **Drug Costs and Other Drug Policies** Rapidly rising drug costs are a significant concern for private and public payers

and consumers.

the pharmaceutical industry.

**CLINTON:** Supports increased regulation of

restrictions, but Trump's comments on the subject have been inconsistent.

TRUMP: Republicans generally aim to loosen



Drug pricing and transparency will be major issues at the state and federal levels, with action likely.



### **Affordability** Rising deductibles, coinsurance and premiums have led to concerns about consumer

affordability across health coverage types.

**CLINTON:** Supports increased tax credits and

other measures to reduce cost sharing.

TRUMP: Seeks to increase the role of health



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likely to increase deductibles and/or encourage skinnier benefits in order to reduce premiums.

Clinton will focus on extending tax relief to people who face deductibles they cannot afford. Trump is more

savings accounts.



# and has continued to be controversial under the ACA.

Reproductive Health

**CLINTON:** Supports increased federal protections TRUMP: Seeks significant additional restrictions

on abortion.

Reproductive health was an intensely controversial issue before the Affordable Care Act

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on abortion access and reproductive services.



**Medicare and Payment Reform Initiatives** 

**CLINTON:** Supports a continued leadership role **TRUMP:** Supports payment reform, but favors for government in payment reform and is open to a repeal of key ACA provisions in deference to the private sector. expanding Medicare to younger ages.

The Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation is a key mechanism the next administration

can use to identify and implement innovative payment and delivery system reforms.



Both sides support a shift away from fee-for-service and toward value-based payment models.

full block grant.



# Will the 19 remaining states decide to expand Medicaid?

Medicaid

**CLINTON:** Strongly supports expansion and will work with remaining states, including seeking the authority to allow new expansions to receive three years of 100% funding.

The election will likely determine not only whether the remaining 19 states choose to expand Medicaid, but

TRUMP: Supports global payments to states based on per capita allotment, with state option for



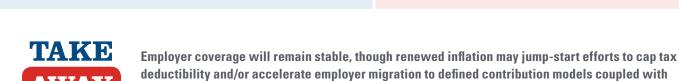
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# also what that expansion will look like.

**Employer Responsibility and Coverage** The effect of the employer responsibility provision on part-time workers and the reporting

burden for employers remains a key issue for members of both parties.

**CLINTON:** Both Clinton and Republicans support **TRUMP:** Republicans are open to capping



not in the Democratic platform.

employer-sponsored coverage.

employer-sponsored insurance exclusion and

moving toward tax parity for individual and

**AWAY** private exchanges.

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repeal of the "Cadillac Tax," although repealing it is