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To: Interested Parties

Subject: Overwhelming Public Support for Key Health Care Coverage Reforms Under Consideration In Congressional End of Year Package

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A new Public Policy Polling survey finds overwhelming public support for a series of reforms that will improve the health of millions of children, pregnant women, and moms, particularly people of color and rural Americans. These life-saving reforms are under consideration as part of must-pass legislation to fund the government before Congress adjourns for the year. As Congress finishes its work, 70% of people think health care should be either the most important or a very important issue for Congress.

By margins ranging from 21 to 49 points, those surveyed demonstrated overwhelming support for improving coverage for millions of Americans. By a 49-point margin those surveyed support improving children's health care under CHIP and Medicaid; by a 41-point margin people support extending coverage under Medicaid for new moms for 12 months after giving birth; by a 36-point margin those surveyed support helping new mothers by investing resources in reducing inequalities in health care and by a 21-point margin people support financing to protect millions of Americans from losing coverage when the public health emergency for COVID-19 ends.

- By a 49-point margin (66-17), voters support improving children's health by guaranteeing that kids remain eligible for 12 months on Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program once they become eligible, and permanently funding the Children's Health Insurance Program so kids can't be kicked off health care arbitrarily. Supporters include 68% of independents, 83% of Black voters, and 53% of Hispanic or Latino voters.
- By a 41-point margin (63-22), voters support protecting health care for moms by guaranteeing 12 months of continued Medicaid coverage after giving birth. Those in support include 64% of independents and 78% of Black voters.
- By a 36-point margin (59-23), voters support reducing preventable pregnancy-related deaths by passing the "Momnibus Act" to strengthen health care for new mothers by providing funding to address health inequities among mothers. Just 23% are opposed, and those in support include 55% of independents and 72% of Black voters.
- By a 21-point margin (51-30), voters support providing Medicaid financing to states to protect millions from becoming uninsured when the public health





insurance emergency for COVID-19 ends. Supporters include a majority of Black voters (71%) and a plurality of independents (45-29) and Hispanic or Latino voters (38-20).

When it comes to health care, voters trust Democrats more than Republicans by a 9-point margin (48-39). And, by a two-to-one margin (46-22), people have a favorable opinion of Medicaid.

Public Policy Polling surveyed 639 national voters from December 7-8, 2022 on behalf of Protect Our Care. The margin of error is +/- 3.8%. 50% of interviews for the survey were conducted by telephone and 50% by text message.





National Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of President Joe Biden's job performance?

Approve 44%
Disapprove 46%
Not sure 10%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Medicaid?

Favorable 46%
Unfavorable 22%
Not sure 32%

Q3 I'm going to give you a list of healthcare related policies Congress could work on, and after each one, ask if you'd support or oppose it. Here's the first one: improve children's health by guaranteeing that kids remain eligible for 12 months on Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program once they become eligible, and permanently fund the Children's Health Insurance Program so kids can't be kicked off healthcare arbitrarily. Would you support or oppose this?

Support 66%
Oppose 17%
Not sure 16%

Q4 Here's the next one: protect health care for moms by guaranteeing 12 months of continued Medicaid coverage after giving birth, no matter where they live. Currently only 33 states and the District of Columbia require this coverage, leaving hundreds of thousands vulnerable. Would you support or oppose this?

Support 63%
Oppose 22%
Not sure 15%

Q5 Here's the next one: When the public health insurance emergency for COVID-19 ends, provide Medicaid financing to states to protect millions who qualify from becoming uninsured. Without this, millions could become uninsured even if they still qualify for coverage. Would you support or oppose this?

Support 51%
Oppose 30%
Not sure 19%

Q6 Here's the next one: reduce preventable pregnancy-related deaths by passing the "Momnibus Act" to strengthen healthcare for new mothers by providing funding to address health inequities among mothers, including tackling workforce shortages, boosting telehealth use, and supporting mental health care. Would you support or oppose this?

Support 59%
Oppose 23%
Not sure 18%

Q7 How important of a priority do you think healthcare should be for the U.S. Congress: do you think it should be the most important priority, a very important priority, not that important of a priority, or not important at all?

The most important priority 23%
A very important priority 47%
Not that important of a priority 20%
Not important at all 5%
Not sure 5%

Q8 Generally speaking, which party do you trust more on the issue of healthcare: Democrats, or Republicans?

Trust Democrats more 48%
Trust Republicans more 39%
Not sure 13%





Q9 In the 2020 election for President, did you vote for Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, someone else, or did you not vote in the election?

<i>Donald Trump</i>	45%
<i>Joe Biden</i>	49%
<i>Someone else / Did not vote</i>	6%

Q10 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2. If you are gender non-binary, press 3.

<i>Woman</i>	51%
<i>Man</i>	46%
<i>Gender non-binary</i>	3%

Q11 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

<i>Democrat</i>	37%
<i>Republican</i>	34%
<i>Independent</i>	29%

Q12 If you are Hispanic or Latino, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

<i>Hispanic or Latino</i>	9%
<i>White</i>	72%
<i>African-American</i>	12%
<i>Other</i>	6%

Q13 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

<i>18 to 45</i>	30%
<i>46 to 65</i>	41%
<i>Older than 65</i>	30%

Q14 What is the highest level of education you have received: high school graduate or less, some college but did not finish, 2-year college degree, 4-year college degree, or post-graduate degree?

<i>High school graduate or less</i>	28%
<i>Some college but did not finish</i>	21%
<i>2-year college degree</i>	13%
<i>4-year college degree</i>	22%
<i>Post-graduate degree</i>	16%

Q15 Mode

<i>Landline</i>	50%
<i>Text</i>	50%





	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Biden Approval				
Approve	44%	5%	83%	15%
Disapprove	46%	88%	8%	52%
Not sure	10%	7%	9%	33%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Medicaid Favorability				
Favorable	46%	20%	71%	34%
Unfavorable	22%	36%	8%	25%
Not sure	32%	44%	20%	42%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose				
Support	66%	43%	88%	61%
Oppose	17%	29%	7%	18%
Not sure	16%	28%	6%	21%



	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	37%	88%	41%
Oppose	22%	37%	8%	29%
Not sure	15%	26%	4%	30%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose				
Support	51%	23%	79%	23%
Oppose	30%	49%	12%	39%
Not sure	19%	27%	10%	38%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Pass the "Mnibus Act " to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose				
Support	59%	34%	84%	45%
Oppose	23%	38%	8%	27%
Not sure	18%	28%	7%	29%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance				
The most important priority	23%	15%	32%	15%
A very important priority	47%	32%	62%	41%
Not that important of a priority	20%	35%	6%	20%
Not important at all	5%	10%	0%	6%
Not sure	5%	7%	0%	18%

	Base	2020 Vote		
		Donald Trump	Joe Biden	Someone else / Did not vote
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare				
Trust Democrats more	48%	7%	88%	24%
Trust Republicans more	39%	78%	4%	30%
Not sure	13%	15%	8%	46%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Biden Approval				
Approve	44%	48%	42%	10%
Disapprove	46%	41%	50%	71%
Not sure	10%	11%	7%	19%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Medicaid Favorability				
Favorable	46%	44%	50%	17%
Unfavorable	22%	22%	21%	23%
Not sure	32%	34%	29%	60%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose				
Support	66%	66%	69%	35%
Oppose	17%	15%	20%	23%
Not sure	16%	19%	12%	42%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	65%	64%	21%
Oppose	22%	19%	25%	32%
Not sure	15%	17%	11%	47%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose				
Support	51%	52%	52%	5%
Oppose	30%	26%	35%	40%
Not sure	19%	23%	13%	55%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Pass the "Moms Choice Act" to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose				
Support	59%	63%	58%	14%
Oppose	23%	18%	27%	35%
Not sure	18%	19%	15%	50%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance				
The most important priority	23%	26%	21%	8%
A very important priority	47%	48%	49%	16%
Not that important of a priority	20%	17%	19%	73%
Not important at all	5%	3%	8%	-
Not sure	5%	6%	3%	4%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	Gender non-binary
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare				
Trust Democrats more	48%	52%	47%	20%
Trust Republicans more	39%	36%	40%	62%
Not sure	13%	13%	13%	18%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Biden Approval				
Approve	44%	81%	11%	36%
Disapprove	46%	12%	80%	50%
Not sure	10%	7%	9%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Medicaid Favorability				
Favorable	46%	69%	20%	47%
Unfavorable	22%	9%	37%	19%
Not sure	32%	22%	42%	34%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose				
Support	66%	90%	39%	68%
Oppose	17%	5%	32%	15%
Not sure	16%	4%	29%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	88%	35%	64%
Oppose	22%	8%	40%	18%
Not sure	15%	4%	25%	18%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose				
Support	51%	78%	26%	45%
Oppose	30%	15%	48%	29%
Not sure	19%	7%	26%	26%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Pass the "Mnibus Act " to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose				
Support	59%	83%	38%	55%
Oppose	23%	10%	36%	22%
Not sure	18%	7%	26%	22%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance				
The most important priority	23%	38%	14%	16%
A very important priority	47%	54%	41%	47%
Not that important of a priority	20%	7%	27%	27%
Not important at all	5%	1%	9%	6%
Not sure	5%	0%	9%	4%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare				
Trust Democrats more	48%	90%	10%	41%
Trust Republicans more	39%	6%	78%	33%
Not sure	13%	4%	12%	26%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Biden Approval					
Approve	44%	32%	41%	71%	51%
Disapprove	46%	31%	54%	14%	40%
Not sure	10%	36%	5%	15%	9%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Medicaid Favorability					
Favorable	46%	24%	46%	63%	48%
Unfavorable	22%	18%	25%	4%	25%
Not sure	32%	58%	29%	33%	28%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose					
Support	66%	53%	65%	83%	68%
Oppose	17%	12%	18%	12%	26%
Not sure	16%	35%	17%	5%	6%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose					
Support	63%	48%	62%	78%	59%
Oppose	22%	11%	23%	17%	33%
Not sure	15%	41%	14%	6%	8%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose					
Support	51%	38%	50%	71%	41%
Oppose	30%	20%	32%	15%	50%
Not sure	19%	41%	18%	14%	9%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Pass the "Mnibus Act " to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose					
Support	59%	45%	59%	72%	62%
Oppose	23%	13%	25%	15%	28%
Not sure	18%	42%	16%	14%	11%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance					
The most important priority	23%	23%	18%	54%	22%
A very important priority	47%	34%	52%	34%	41%
Not that important of a priority	20%	8%	23%	10%	22%
Not important at all	5%	-	6%	-	13%
Not sure	5%	35%	1%	2%	2%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic or Latino	White	African-American	Other
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare					
Trust Democrats more	48%	36%	44%	79%	61%
Trust Republicans more	39%	22%	47%	11%	20%
Not sure	13%	42%	9%	10%	19%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Biden Approval				
Approve	44%	42%	46%	44%
Disapprove	46%	38%	49%	52%
Not sure	10%	21%	6%	4%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Medicaid Favorability				
Favorable	46%	45%	46%	47%
Unfavorable	22%	17%	23%	23%
Not sure	32%	38%	31%	29%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose				
Support	66%	64%	70%	64%
Oppose	17%	15%	18%	17%
Not sure	16%	20%	12%	19%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose				
Support	63%	55%	69%	62%
Oppose	22%	22%	19%	26%
Not sure	15%	22%	12%	13%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose				
Support	51%	44%	57%	49%
Oppose	30%	34%	26%	32%
Not sure	19%	22%	17%	19%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Pass the "Moms Bill" to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose				
Support	59%	54%	64%	59%
Oppose	23%	20%	23%	24%
Not sure	18%	26%	12%	17%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance				
The most important priority	23%	14%	29%	25%
A very important priority	47%	52%	47%	44%
Not that important of a priority	20%	22%	17%	22%
Not important at all	5%	2%	6%	7%
Not sure	5%	11%	1%	3%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare				
Trust Democrats more	48%	47%	50%	47%
Trust Republicans more	39%	33%	37%	45%
Not sure	13%	19%	12%	8%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Biden Approval						
Approve	44%	37%	47%	35%	48%	56%
Disapprove	46%	47%	51%	54%	44%	34%
Not sure	10%	16%	3%	10%	8%	10%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Medicaid Favorability						
Favorable	46%	36%	49%	29%	56%	61%
Unfavorable	22%	21%	25%	29%	19%	15%
Not sure	32%	43%	26%	42%	25%	24%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose						
Support	66%	59%	69%	71%	67%	71%
Oppose	17%	17%	17%	15%	19%	17%
Not sure	16%	24%	14%	14%	14%	12%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose						
Support	63%	53%	70%	57%	69%	66%
Oppose	22%	22%	22%	27%	20%	21%
Not sure	15%	25%	8%	16%	11%	12%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Provide Medicaid Financing to States to Protect Millions from Becoming Uninsured Support / Oppose						
Support	51%	46%	52%	38%	54%	63%
Oppose	30%	23%	33%	41%	32%	29%
Not sure	19%	31%	15%	21%	15%	8%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Pass the "Mnibus Act " to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose						
Support	59%	55%	66%	50%	59%	66%
Oppose	23%	21%	18%	29%	26%	21%
Not sure	18%	24%	16%	21%	15%	13%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance						
The most important priority	23%	27%	31%	24%	14%	19%
A very important priority	47%	34%	47%	44%	63%	54%
Not that important of a priority	20%	17%	19%	24%	17%	26%
Not important at all	5%	9%	1%	8%	6%	1%
Not sure	5%	13%	2%	1%	-	1%

	Base	Education				
		High school graduate or less	Some college but did not finish	2-year college degree	4-year college degree	Post-graduate degree
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare						
Trust Democrats more	48%	39%	49%	43%	54%	59%
Trust Republicans more	39%	40%	43%	43%	35%	32%
Not sure	13%	21%	8%	14%	11%	8%

	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Biden Approval			
Approve	44%	44%	44%
Disapprove	46%	50%	43%
Not sure	10%	6%	13%

	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Medicaid Favorability			
Favorable	46%	46%	46%
Unfavorable	22%	24%	19%
Not sure	32%	30%	35%

	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Guarantee Kids Remain Eligible for 12 Months on Medicaid or CHIP Support / Oppose			
Support	66%	66%	66%
Oppose	17%	20%	15%
Not sure	16%	14%	19%

	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Protect Health Care for Moms by Guaranteeing 12 Months of Medicaid After Giving Birth Support / Oppose			
Support	63%	63%	63%
Oppose	22%	26%	18%
Not sure	15%	11%	20%

	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
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	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Pass the "Mnibus Act " to Strengthen Healthcare for New Mothers Support / Oppose			
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		Landline	Text
Healthcare as Priority for Congress Level of Importance			
The most important priority	23%	30%	17%
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Not important at all	5%	5%	5%
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	Base	Mode	
		Landline	Text
Trust Democrats / Republicans More on Issue of Healthcare			
Trust Democrats more	48%	47%	50%
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