

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT BIDEN'S HEALTHCARE PLAN

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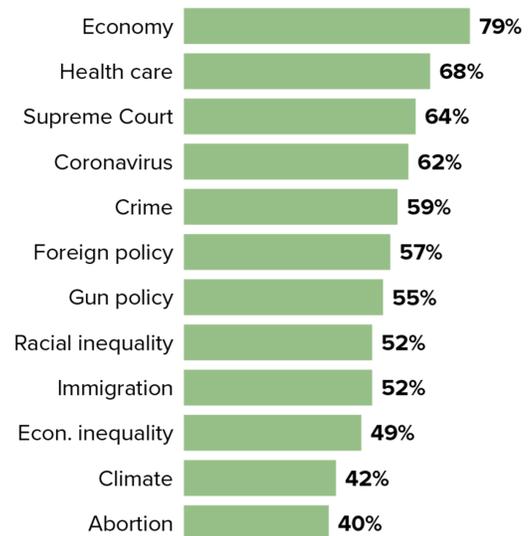
HOW WE GOT HERE

Democrats spent four years bashing the Trump administration's health care agenda, contending it purposely undercut the health care law. After congressional Republicans were unable to pass legislation repealing and replacing Obamacare, the Trump White House instead pushed out a wave of regulations and conservative changes, such as permitting the first ever Medicaid work requirements and allowing people to buy cheaper, skimpier health plans that don't meet Obamacare's coverage requirements.

Health care consistently ranks as one of the most important issues for voters, along with the economy and the coronavirus pandemic. Biden has pledged to bolster Obamacare with incremental changes, a decision that puts him at odds with the liberal flank of the Democratic party

Health care remains a top voter priority

Share of voters who say selected issues were "very important" in the 2020 presidential election



Source: Pew Research

WHAT'S NEXT

OBAMACARE

Starting Feb. 15, the White House will reopen Obamacare enrollment for a three-month special sign-up window and plans to put \$50 million toward an advertising and outreach campaign.

MEDICAID

The Biden administration is expected to reverse divisive Medicaid work requirements championed by former CMS Administrator Seema Verma, which require some recipients to work as a precondition for receiving benefits.

ABORTION

Biden has already started rolling back some of the Trump administration's moves on reproductive health, such as denying U.S. aid to health groups overseas that provide information about the procedure.

POWER PLAYERS

Xavier Becerra
Secretary of HHS*

Merrick Garland
Attorney General*

Neera Tanden
Director, White House Budget Office*

*Pending confirmation

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