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Congressional Recess Packet: Highlighting Health Care Accomplishments





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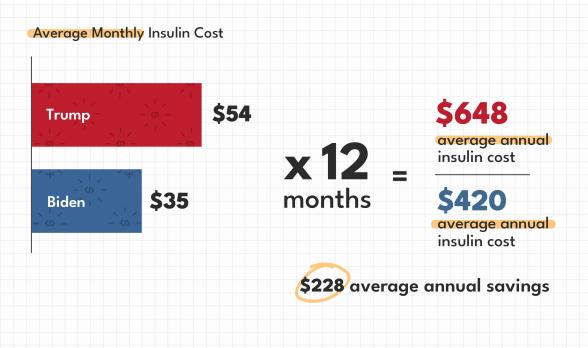


As Members of Congress travel back home, there is no shortage of issues to discuss with constituents. **Our advice: don't forget about health care**. Health care remains top of mind for Americans, and Democrats have a strong record to tout. Below are three infographics, sample tweets, and talking points policymakers can use to highlight the important work done to make health care more affordable and accessible.

1. Biden v. Trump on Seniors' Insulin Prices



With the passage of the Inflation Reduction Act, President Biden and Congressional Democrats capped the monthly cost of insulin in Medicare—leading to huge savings.



Source: Average monthly insulin costs from Cubanski, Juliette and Anthony Damico. "Insulin Out-of-Pocket Costs in Medicare Part D." KFF, 28 Jul. 2022. https://www.kff.org/medicare/is-sue-brief/insulin-out-of-pocket-costs-in-medicare-part-d/. Accessed 15 Feb. 2024.



Sample tweets:

- Thanks to President Biden and Congressional Democrats, seniors are paying LESS for their insulin. Starting this year, seniors' monthly insulin costs are now capped at \$35!
- Earlier this year, seniors' insulin costs were capped to just \$35 a month. I was proud to vote for the Inflation Reduction Act to deliver these critical savings.

2. 6 Key ACA Accomplishments

6 Key ACA Accomplishments 3. 2. >129M 4 out of 5 >100 The ACA protects 4 out of 5 ACA More than 100 more than 129 million customers can find preventive services Americans with are free for more than insurance plans for pre-existing conditions \$10 or less a month. 230 million Americans. from discrimination by insurance companies. 5. 6. 10-+32M The ACA expanded The ACA cut uninsured The ACA requires that all insurance Medicaid to cover an rates in half from 16% companies cover 10 additional 32 million to 8%. essential health benefits, low-income Americans. including hospitalization and maternity care. **Source:** Murdock, Kylie. "6 Key Accomplishments from the Affordable Care Act." Third Way, 6 Mar 2024. https://www.thirdway.org/memo/6-key-accomplishments-from-the-affordable-care-act. (*) THIRD WAY

Sample tweets:

- The Affordable Care Act has been life changing for millions of Americans!
 129+ million Americans with pre-existing conditions are protected from discrimination by insurance companies.
- The ACA is lowering families' health care costs. 4 out of 5 ACA marketplace customers can find insurance plans for <\$10/month!
- Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, the rate of uninsured Americans has been cut in half!

3. Democrats Lower Premium Costs

Democrats Lower Health Care Premiums

Thanks to President Biden and Congressional Democrats, Affordable Care Act Marketplace enrollees are seeing a drop of \$62 in average monthly premiums from enhanced premium tax credits.

\$133 a month
Without Enhanced Premium Cap

\$71 a month
Enhanced Premium Cap

Source: "Plan Year 2024 Qualified Health Plan Choice and Premiums in HealthCare.gov Marketplaces." Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, 25 Oct 2024. https://www.cms.gov/files/document/2024-qhp-premiums-choice-report.pdf. Accessed 26 Mar 2024 and "Health Insurance Marketplaces 2023 Open Enrollment Report." Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. https://www.cms.gov/files/document/health-insurance-exchang-es-2023-open-enrollment-report-final.pdf. Accessed 26 Mar 2024.

THIRD WAY

Sample tweets:

- Thanks to President Biden and Congressional Democrats, ACA marketplace enrollees see an average monthly saving of \$62 from the enhanced premium tax credits I supported.
- There is RECORD enrollment in the ACA marketplace and reduced premium costs all thanks to the American Rescue Plan and Inflation Reduction Act. I was proud to vote for these two landmark bills.

Talking Points

- A record 21.3 million Americans enrolled in health insurance through the Affordable Care Act marketplace this year.
- As a result of Democratic action, marketplace enrollees are saving \$62/month
 on average in premiums, with four-in-five customers paying less than
 \$10/month for coverage.
- Democrats capped out-of-pocket drug costs for seniors through Medicare
 Part D at \$2,000 a year and capped monthly insulin costs at \$35.
- The ACA has never been more popular, with six-in-ten adults having a favorable view of the ACA, including 89% of Democrats and 62% of Independents.
- While Democrats are making health care more affordable, Republicans are trying to gut the Affordable Care Act, cut Medicare for seniors, and take Medicaid away from America's most vulnerable.
- If President Trump wins in 2024, he has threatened to repeal the ACA. With subsidy enhancements set to expire 2026, a Trump Presidency would mean more expensive health care for millions.