



PYA 2025 Summer CPE Symposium, Session 1 – Five Months In: Taking Stock of the Trump Administration's Impact on Healthcare

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WEBINAR SUMMARY

This webinar analyzes the Trump administration's impact on healthcare policy after five months in office, highlighting key provisions in the 'One Big Beautiful Bill Act' (OBBBA), including tax cuts, Medicaid reductions, work requirements, and spending changes. It also covers Medicare payment reform, CMS enforcement trends, and future regulatory expectations.

Key topics include:

- Make America Healthy Again initiatives
- Updates to the Medicare and Medicaid programs
- Increases in government enforcement activities
- Changes to rulemaking processes
- Impact of tariffs and other executive actions
- Key executive actions impacting healthcare providers
- Current status of legislative budgeting and appropriations process impacting healthcare
- Additional changes on the horizon
- Identified priorities to manage the impact of rapidly changing regulatory environment

WEBINAR HIGHLIGHTS AND FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the purpose of the One Big Beautiful Bill Act?

- OBBBA is a reconciliation bill aimed at overhauling mandatory spending, tax policy, and debt management, allowing passage with a simple Senate majority.

How would Medicaid be impacted under the bill?

- Through mandatory work requirements, cuts to state funding for undocumented care, and restrictions on provider tax use and directed payments.

What changes are proposed for Medicare payments?

- Minor increases tied to the Medicare Economic Index and potential site-neutral payment policies.

What enforcement trends are emerging under the administration?

- Increased CMS fraud detection efforts using AI, revived RAD-V audits, and DOJ focus on healthcare fraud.



What predictions were made for the next 5 months?

- More enforcement on price transparency, expansion of mandatory episode payment models, and stricter HIPAA security rules.

ACTION ITEMS

- Analyze the Senate Finance Committee's changes to the reconciliation bill's Medicaid provisions.
- Stay informed on the release of the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule and Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System proposed rules.
- Ensure compliance with price transparency requirements and prepare for potential expansion to other provider types.
- Monitor for potential changes to telehealth waivers, Medicare Advantage prior authorization requirements, and Medicare site-neutral payment policies.
- Review the proposed changes to Medicare physician payments in the reconciliation bill.

WEBINAR OUTLINE

Introduction to the Trump Administration's Impact on Healthcare

- Martie Ross discusses the impact of the Trump administration on the healthcare industry, highlighting the challenge of selecting specific topics.
- Martie outlines the seven topics to be covered, focusing on the reconciliation bill, tax provisions, the President's proposed 2026 budget, Medicare payment rules, government enforcement activity, and future predictions.
- She provides an overview of the reconciliation bill, explaining its significance in addressing mandatory spending and the Senate rules for passing it.
- Martie details the components of the reconciliation bill, including tax cuts and credits, new spending, spending reductions, and the debt ceiling provision.

Detailed Analysis of the Reconciliation Bill

- Martie Ross explains the impact of the reconciliation bill on federal revenues and deficits, referencing the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) score.
- She discusses the macroeconomic analysis of the bill, highlighting the projected economic growth and its impact on the federal deficit.
- Martie outlines the anticipated impacts of the bill on the number of uninsured individuals, including Medicaid cuts and the expiration of expanded premium tax credits.
- She explains the Senate Finance Committee's draft of the bill, focusing on tax provisions and Medicaid provisions, and the ongoing review by the Senate parliamentarian.

Medicaid Provisions and Work Requirements

- Martie Ross delves into the healthcare-related provisions of the reconciliation bill, specifically focusing on Medicaid.
- She discusses the new national work requirement for Medicaid eligibility, including exceptions for individuals with disabilities and parents taking care of dependents.



- Martie explains the delayed implementation of the eligibility and enrollment final rule and the changes in Medicaid provider taxes and state-directed payments.
- She highlights the presidential memorandum targeting Medicaid payment rates and the proposed rule on Medicaid managed care and state-directed payments.

ACA Marketplace and Employee Health Benefits

- Martie Ross discusses the impact of the reconciliation bill on the ACA marketplace, including shortening the enrollment period and eliminating special enrollment periods.
- Martie explains the key provisions concerning employee health benefits, such as choice arrangements, health savings accounts, and fitness and exercise programs.
- She outlines the changes to the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule, including the increase in the conversion factor and the annual adjustment based on the Medicare Economic Index.
- Martie highlights the positive aspects of the bill, such as the delay in Medicaid DSH reductions and the prohibition of enforcing the nursing home minimum staffing rules.

Tax Provisions and Enforcement Activity

- Matt Stewart discusses the tax provisions of the reconciliation bill, including the permanent extension of lower tax rates and the increase in the standard deduction.
- Matt explains the changes to state and local tax deductions, the increase in the child tax credit, and the exemptions for estate and gift taxes.
- He highlights the tax-free treatment of tips and overtime income and the introduction of "Trump accounts" for children.
- Martie Ross discusses the government enforcement activity, including the new fraud detection Operations Center and the increased use of payment suspensions.

Annual Medicare Payment Rules and Budget Proposals

- Martie Ross provides an update on the annual Medicare payment rules, including the finalized plan year 2026 rules for Medicare Advantage plans.
- She discusses the proposed rules for the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment System and the expected publication of the rest of the proposed rules.
- Martie outlines the budget proposals for HHS, including the reduction in the workforce, the termination of contracts, and the consolidation of operating divisions.
- Martie highlights the impact of the budget on specific agencies, such as HRSA and CMS, and the potential reduction in payments to Medicare administrative contractors.

Future Predictions and Closing Remarks

- Martie Ross and Matt Stewart share their predictions for the next five months, including increased price transparency penalties and the expansion of mandatory episodic payment models.
- Martie discusses the potential extension of telehealth waivers and the congressional action on Medicare Advantage prior authorization requirements.
- Martie highlights the potential cuts to Medicare payments for 340B drugs and the final HIPAA Security Rule publication.