







**Electoral Consequences:** 

# How the Election Results Could Impact the Medicare Advantage Program

2024

# Agenda



- Election Takeaways
- New Administration Nominations and Timeline
- Congressional Perspectives on MA Program
- Q & A

## **Today's Presenters**



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### **Election Takeaways**



Full GOP control - Reconciliation is coming



Filibuster is safe - bipartisan deals are still needed



Small margins – individual members have more power



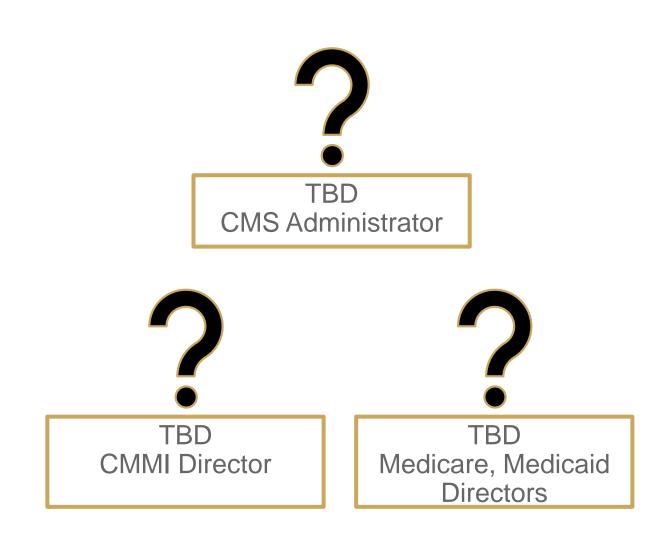
President Trump will drive the agenda as he sees fit

### Trump Administration Nominates Health Care Leadership



Robert F. Kennedy Jr. HHS Secretary

12 primary agency leaders, including CMS, FDA, CDC, NIH, etc



## **Trump Administration Dynamics Impacting MA**

Fiscal
Conservatism vs.
Populism

No re-election means aggressive, top-down regulatory actions

SDOH and/or Make America Healthy Again?

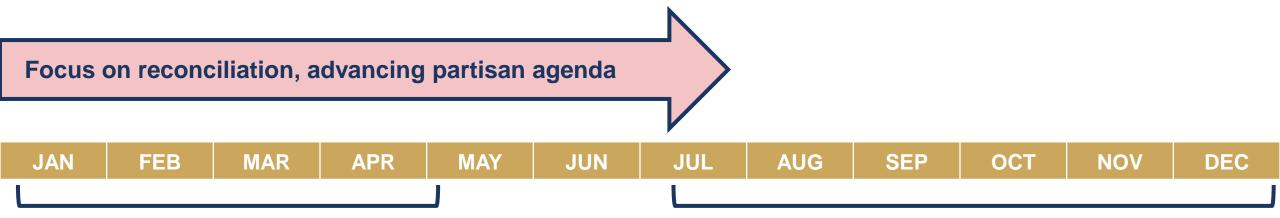
Values: Transparency, choice, and competition

Campaign promise: Regulatory relief

Campaign promise: Affordability

### **Political Timeline for 2025**

Conventional wisdom provides President-elect Trump about 20 months to achieve as much of his agenda as possible.



Appointee confirmation hearings

Possible emergence of bipartisan issues, committee work

2026 election challengers emerge

### Congress: Republican Healthcare Leadership Over MA

Leadership of Congressional Committees with Jurisdiction over Medicare Advantage









Senator Mike Crapo (R-ID)

Senate Finance
Committee Chair

Rep. Jason Smith (R-MO)

House Ways and Means

Committee Chair

Rep. Brett Guthrie (R-KY)

House Energy and Commerce

Committee Chair\*

Rep. Bob Latta
(R-OH)

House Energy and
Commerce
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## **Congressional Dynamics Impacting MA**

Taxes, immigration, and energy first

Won't use
Medicare to pay
for unrelated
programs

Support MA but want targeted changes

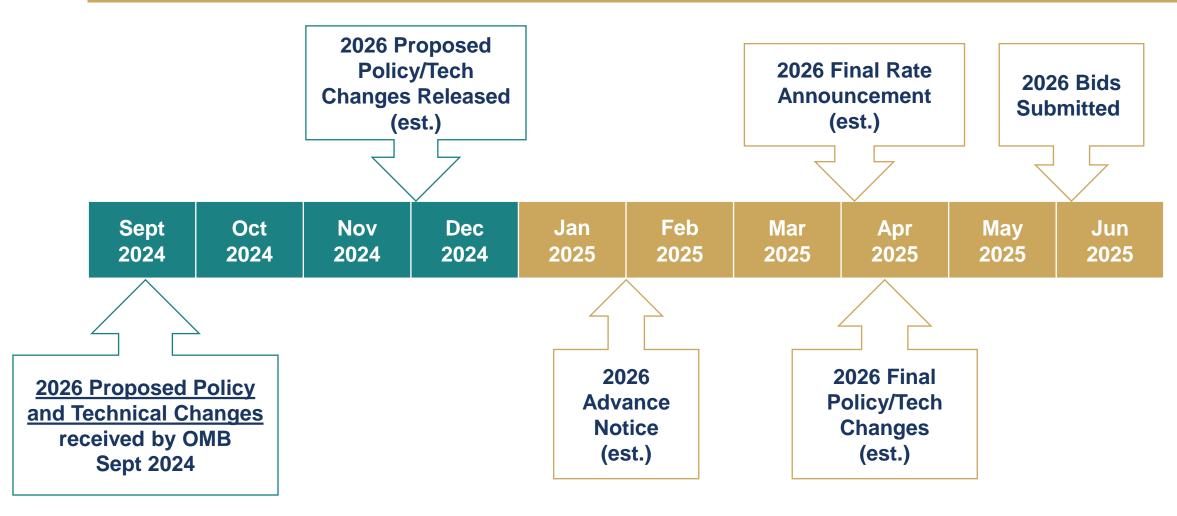
Have other Medicare policy needs that may drive action

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### Timeline For 2026 Rate Cycle Influence

Materially influencing the 2026 Advance Notice is not likely, but some adjustments could be made by April 2025 for the 2026 Final Rate Announcement.



### **TAKEAWAYS**

- 1. MA is in for some changes over the next two years
- 2. Changes will be a mix of legislative and regulatory
- 3. Targeted changes more likely than broad reforms
- 4. Expect a lot of conversations around the value plans are providing under MA both positive and negative
- 5. Broad rhetorical focus on affordability for patients and enhanced transparency

# **Question and Answer Session**

## **QUESTIONS?**

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