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Insure.com Quarterly Survey Shows Highest Support for Medicare for All Health Reform

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Foster City, CA – July 28, 2020 – Insure.com, a comprehensive resource for insurance information, has been surveying public opinion on health reform quarterly over the past year. Its most recent survey of 1,500 people finds that respondents favor "Medicare for all" health reform more than at any time of the past year.

For the entire report and its methodology, read: <u>New survey finds more support for Medicare for all</u>. Those polled expressed preferences on following options:

- · Medicare for all
- Keep everything the same
- Public option
- Improve the Affordable Care Act (ACA)
- · Repeal the ACA
- Lower Medicare age eligibility to around 60

In the new survey, Medicare for all was selected by 27% of survey participants as their top choice, with the second-place option of keeping everything the same dropping to 21% from 24% in the spring survey.

Although most age groups expressed a preference for Medicare for all, those age 65 and above who already qualify for Medicare, selected "keep everything the same."

Each geographical region marked Medicare for all as the top choice, although in the Midwest, that reform was tied

with keeping everything the same. Other highlights include:

- Highest support for Medicare for all comes from New York, Colorado and Washington residents
- Lowest support for Medicare for all is apparent in North Dakota, Kentucky, South Dakota and West Virginia
- Illinois, Alabama, Georgia, Michigan and Minnesota all showed large support for keeping everything the same.

The third most popular choice overall was improving the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Nineteen percent supported strengthening the ACA. Virginians were more supportive of improving the ACA than those in other states.

Fifteen percent of respondents supported repealing the ACA, which mirrored the spring survey results. Though repeal finished fourth in the survey, Florida, Louisiana and North Carolina respondents chose it as their number one health reform.

Almost two-thirds (63%) said COVID-19 has not had them reassess Medicare for all. One-quarter said they weren't sure whether coronavirus has affected insurance preferences.

Insure.com's managing editor, Les Masterson, is available to answer questions on the survey's findings, as well as how consumers can best <u>navigate insurance questions</u> during the pandemic. Please let me know if you would like any additional information from Les.

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