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2021 FACT SHEET

BACKGROUND

- Because the former Obama Administration failed to be transparent about abortion coverage, the Family Research Council (FRC), Charlotte Lozier Institute (CLI), and Heritage Foundation have done extensive research once again in 2021 to piece together as much information as they could for the consumer to make an informed choice about Obamacare insurance purchases. This information is available at ObamacareAbortion.com.
- Obamacare contains federal subsidies/funds for plans covering elective abortion with massive taxpayer funding for abortion.
- The American people should not be forced to subsidize abortions.
- Through their federal taxes, people who live in states where plans do not cover elective abortion are still subsidizing abortion on demand in plans in other states – this would never be allowed if the Hyde amendment had truly been applied to Obamacare.
- Because Obamacare violates the principles of the Hyde amendment ban on subsidizing abortion, and because Obamacare lacks transparency for Americans, Congress must enact the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion and Abortion Insurance Full Disclosure Act of 2019 (H.R. 20/S.109).

2021 SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

- Since 2014, 26 states have enacted legislation that prohibits elective abortion from being covered in Obamacare exchange plans.
- The 24 remaining states (plus the District of Columbia) which permit elective abortion coverage in exchange plans break down as follows:
 - 11 states are part of the Federally-Facilitated Marketplace.
 - 14 states (including the District of Columbia) have a state-run exchange.
- Obamacare exchange plan offerings for the *24 states and D.C. that legally permit elective abortion in Obamacare exchange plans* went from an estimated total of 1,120 plans in 2020 to an estimated total of 1,296 plans in 2021, a 16% increase in total plans. For these same 25 areas, **an estimated 69% (892 plans) cover elective abortion** for the 2021 enrollment period -- the same percentage as in 2020.

- **In 2021, 8 locales have 100% of exchange plans covering elective abortion:** Alaska, California, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Maine, Massachusetts, New York, and Vermont.

1. **Alaska** - Every year since the 2017 open enrollment season.
2. **California** - Every year since the 2018 open enrollment season.
3. **District of Columbia** – Every year since the 2017 open enrollment season.
4. **Hawaii** - Every year since the 2014 open enrollment season (never had abortion-excluding plans).
5. **Maine** - Since 2020, when the state passed legislation to mandate elective abortion coverage in health plans.
6. **Massachusetts** - Every year since at least the 2019 open enrollment season.
7. **New York** - Every year since the 2019 open enrollment season, due to the state abortion insurance mandate.
8. **Vermont** – Every year since the 2014 open enrollment season (never had abortion-excluding plans).

- **In previous years, the following locales had 100% of exchange plans covering elective abortion:**

In 2020: 9 locales (Alaska, California, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Illinois, Maine, Maryland, New York, and Vermont)

In 2019: 9 locales (Alaska, California, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, New York, Vermont, and Washington).

In 2018: 7 locales (Alaska, California, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Maryland, Vermont, and Washington).

In 2017: 6 locales (Alaska, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Vermont, and Washington.)

In 2016: 2 states (Hawaii, Vermont).

In 2015: 4 states (Hawaii, New Jersey, Rhode Island, and Vermont).

In 2014: 5 states (Connecticut, Hawaii, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Vermont).

- **In 2021, there are 13 locales with 80% or more of exchange plans covering abortion on demand:**

1. **Alaska (100%)**
2. **California (100%)**
3. **Colorado (85%):** Only 12 of 81 Individual and Family exchange plans do not cover elective abortion in 2021.
4. **Connecticut (90%):** Only 2 of 20 Individual and Family exchange plans do not cover elective abortion in 2021.
5. **District of Columbia (100%)**
6. **Hawaii (100%)**
7. **Illinois (90%):** 10 of 96 Individual and Family exchange plans do not cover elective abortion.

8. **Maine (100%)**
9. **Massachusetts (100%)**
10. **New York (100%)**
11. **Oregon (86%):** Only 11 of 80 Individual and Family exchange plans do not cover elective abortion in 2021.
12. **Vermont (100%)**
13. **Washington (96%):** Only 3 of 70 Individual and Family exchange plans do not cover elective abortion in 2021.

- **States that have passed legislation restricting elective abortion coverage in exchange plans: 26**

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin.

These states have enacted a life-affirming law to ensure that elective *abortion is not included in any of the plans sold on the exchange for their state*. However, *taxpayers in each state are still paying federal taxes that are used by the federal government to pay for coverage that includes elective abortion in other states*. For example, an estimated 1.25 million Californians received federal taxpayer subsidies in 2014 and 96% of plans sold in California included abortion on demand. Between 2015 and 2024 an estimated \$855 billion in federal subsidies will be used in every state to pay for Obamacare health plans, many of which include elective abortion.

- **State-Based Exchanges (SBE) that have extended open enrollment periods beyond the federal December 15, 2020 deadline: 11**

California (January 31, 2021), Colorado (January 15, 2021), District of Columbia (January 31, 2021), Massachusetts (January 23, 2021), Minnesota (December 22, 2020), Nevada (January 15, 2021), New Jersey (January 31, 2021), New York (January 31, 2021), Pennsylvania (January 15, 2021), Rhode Island (January 23, 2021), and Washington (January 15, 2021)

Taxpayer Funding of Abortion Plans via Advanceable Premium Tax Credits (APTC)

In 2020, an estimated 2.4 million people are receiving a total of \$13 billion dollars in taxpayer money in advanceable premium tax credits (APTCs) for plans that cover abortion on demand in all of the states that have not opted out of abortion coverage.

For more information, please visit www.obamacareabortion.com.

*The information available on this site is based on our research of plans and information as it becomes available to us. We have provided our findings and encourage you to contact us at info@obamacareabortion.com if you find additional or conflicting information about Obamacare insurance plans provided in your state.

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