


Auto-enrollment for Health Care Coverage: Political Appeal and Challenges

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Three topics

1. The appeal of auto-enrollment across the political spectrum
 2. Examples of auto-enrollment
 3. The political challenges and how to overcome them
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Key Legislation with Auto-enrollment

- Medicare for All Act of 2019—Sen. Sanders & Rep. Jayapal
 - Medicare for America Act of 2019—Reps. DeLauro & Schakowsky
 - Patient Freedom Act of 2017—Sens. Cassidy & Collins
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Auto-Enrollment in Think Tank Proposals

- Building on the ACA to Achieve Universal Coverage—Brookings
 - Making Health Insurance Enrollment as Automatic as Possible—AEI
 - The Healthy America Program—Urban Institute
 - Medicare Extra for All—Center for American Progress
 - Cost Caps & Coverage for All—Third Way
 - Laying the Groundwork for Universal Health Care Coverage—Heritage Foundation
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Examples of Auto-Enrollment

- Medicare Part A
 - Medicare Part D Low-income subsidy
 - Auto-renewal in Medicare Advantage and Exchanges
 - Express Lane Eligibility for CHIP and Medicaid
 - Employer retirement savings plans
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Political Challenges

- Enrollment in what?
 - Fiscal impact
 - Unorganized constituency
 - Implementation
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Overcoming Challenges

