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New Podcast Episode: The State of Health Coverage in 2020

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In our latest episode, AAF’s Director of Health Care Policy Christopher Holt discusses the state of health insurance coverage in 2020. He argues that the Affordable Care Act (ACA) is likely secure, even as the Supreme Court considers the California v. Texas case next month. Holt notes the surprising finding that the COVID-19 pandemic may have had only a limited impact on health insurance coverage. He also discusses the development of a COVID-19 vaccine and he explains why some may be hesitant to receive the vaccine when it becomes available. He concludes by giving a preview of what to look for in health care policy after the 2020 election.

AAF products mentioned in today’s podcast:

- Holt wrote about whether the calls for the ACA’s potential repeal are overstated in last week’s Weekly Checkup “Reports of Obamacare’s Death Are Greatly Exaggerated.” Subscribe to the Weekly Checkup here.
- Holt looks at which populations need help with health insurance as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic in “Scoping Who Needs Help with Health Insurance Coverage.”
- Holt explains why a COVID-19 vaccine won’t automatically return us to normalcy and the key challenges with widespread vaccination in “Cutting Through the Vaccine Headlines.”
- Holt considers the implications of this pandemic-driven job loss on health insurance coverage in “The COVID-19 Pandemic’s Impact on Insurance Coverage.”
- AAF President Douglas Holtz-Eakin testified before the House Energy Subcommittee on Health on the COVID-19 pandemic’s impact on health insurance coverage. Read his testimony here.

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