

## The Century Foundation's #PolicyChat: The Good News about the #ACA: February 22, 2012



[@TCFdotorg](#): [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) discuss their [@washmonthly](#) article on the early successes of #HCR. Follow **#policychat** on 2/22 at 3PM EST.

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[@HalleyTCF](#): Has the Affordable Care Act already had a positive impact on U.S. Citizens? Tune into [@TCFdotorg's](#) **#policychat** on 2/22 at 3pm EST.

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[@kbyesuz](#): RT [@TCFdotorg](#): Join Fellows [@GregAnrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) for a **#policychat** on the early successes of healthcare reform, 2/22 @ 3PM EST #hcr #aca #p2

[February 17, 2012, 5:32 pm](#)



[@Ben\\_Landy](#): RT [@kbyesuz](#): Want to see what we'll be discussing in [@tcfdotorg's](#) first **#policychat**? All you want to know about #ObamaCare. <http://t.co/rYiyyKmH>

[February 17, 2012, 10:34 pm](#)



[@RickKahlenberg](#): Join my colleagues [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) for **#policychat** on 2/22 at 3pm EST. Topic: The positive impact of the Affordable Care Act.

[February 20, 2012, 2:30 pm](#)



[@Demos\\_Org](#): 3pm Tomorrow: [@TCFdotorg](#) discusses the benefits of #hcr w/ [@haroldpollack](#) & [@GregAnrig](#) -- tune in to **#policychat** for a live Q&A session!

[February 21, 2012, 9:31 pm](#)



[@PolicyMattersOH](#): RT [@demos\\_org](#): 3pm ET Wed: [@TCFdotorg](#) discusses benefits of #hcr w/ [@haroldpollack](#) & [@GregAnrig](#) -- tune in to **#policychat** for live Q&A!

[February 21, 2012, 9:38 pm](#)





[@PhilanthropyNY](#): Pls RT [@JonasCenter](#) [@JHARTFOUND](#) [@commonwealthfnd](#) [@macyfoundation](#) CHECK OUT [@TCFdotorg](#)'s 1st **#policychat** on #aca impact on #hcr 2day @ 3P ET.

[February 22, 2012, 2:21 pm](#)



[@HalleyTCF](#): RR Has the Affordable Care Act already had a positive impact on U.S. Citizens? Tune into [@TCFdotorg](#)'s **#policychat** today at 3pm EST.

[February 22, 2012, 2:31 pm](#)



[@RussellSageFdn](#): RT [@TCFdotorg](#): Today @ 3pm EST: Join us on twitter for a **#policychat** on Health Care reform w/ experts [@GregAnrig](#) & [@Haroldpollack](#)

[February 22, 2012, 3:31 pm](#)



[@A\\_Fieldhouse](#): #HCR working? TCF colleagues [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) discuss early #ACA successes in **#policychat**, 3pm EST this afternoon

[February 22, 2012, 3:54 pm](#)



[@praddenkeefe](#): RT [@A\\_Fieldhouse](#): #HCR working? TCF colleagues [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) discuss early #ACA successes in **#policychat**, 3pm EST this afternoon

[February 22, 2012, 4:10 pm](#)



[@RickKahlenberg](#): RR Join my colleagues [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) for **#policychat** today at 3pm EST. Topic: The positive impact of the Affordable Care Act.

[February 22, 2012, 5:20 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): You and me both, Harold...RT [@haroldpollack](#): looking forward to chatting today at 3 est **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 7:24 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): Join [@haroldpollack](#) and me at 3 ET to discuss "The quiet triumph of ObamaCare" <http://t.co/j81a6xzA> **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 7:46 pm](#)





[@TCFdotorg](#): TCF's [@HaroldPollack](#) & [@GregAnrig](#) published The Quiet Triumph of #ObamaCare <http://t.co/JDR2xLh4> Prep for our Q&A with them. #policychat

February 22, 2012, 7:55 pm



[@JasonRenker](#): RT [@TCFdotorg](#): One more reminder, [@HaroldPollack](#) & [@GregAnrig](#) will be on hand at 3pm for a Q&A on Health Care Reform #hcr. Send in your Qs with #policychat

February 22, 2012, 7:58 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): Welcome to our first #policychat on the Affordable Care Act. For anyone following along, please introduce yourself and your affiliation.

February 22, 2012, 7:58 pm



[@blueyespaz](#): hi i'm angela. i have no affiliation except that i'm concerned about health care. #policychat

February 22, 2012, 8:01 pm



[@GregAnrig](#): Hi everyone, I'm Greg Anrig of The Century Foundation #policychat

February 22, 2012, 8:01 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): Q1 While Affordable Care Act #ACA isn't set to be in full-effect until 2014, what do you think are the immediate impacts? #policychat

February 22, 2012, 8:02 pm



[@JaniceNittoli](#): I'm [@Janicenittoli](#) from [@tcfdotorg](#) #policychat

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) I'll let Greg answer for himself. I think the favorable coverage trends for adults 19-25 are quite striking. #policychat

February 22, 2012, 8:03 pm



[@GregAnrig](#): hi [@haroldpollack](#)! ACA Success #1: 2.5 million more young adults aged 19-26 have health care coverage. #policychat

February 22, 2012, 8:03 pm





[@NeilBhatiya](#): Follow **#policychat** for a discussion of healthcare reform (#hcr). I know you have questions....

[February 22, 2012, 8:04 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): ACA Success #2: Older Americans have much better prescription drug and preventive care coverage **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:05 pm](#)



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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) Ill let Greg answer for himself. I think the favorable coverage trends for adults 19-25 are quite striking. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:06 pm](#)



[@johnbaloney](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#) [@haroldpollack](#) #1: 2.5M more young adults 19-26 have health care coverage. **#policychat** (As a parent this is important-jb)

[February 22, 2012, 8:06 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): ACA Success #3: People with pre-existing conditions, especially aged 19 and under, have greater access to coverage **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:06 pm](#)



[@haroldpollack](#): ACA success #3 proper regulation of insurers--addressing lifetime and annual caps, and more. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) #ACA success #3 proper regulation of insurers--addressing lifetime and annual caps, and more. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:08 pm](#)





[@GregAnrig](#): Another ACA success: Structural changes are beginning to make the health care system more efficient **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:08 pm](#)



[@haroldpollack](#): To pick up on [@gregAnrig's](#) Success#3, kids already have many of the protections adults will have in 2014. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:08 pm](#)



[@kbyesuz](#): RT [@greganrig](#): hi [@haroldpollack](#)! ACA Success #1: 2.5 million more young adults aged 19-26 have health care coverage. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:09 pm](#)



[@TCFdotorg](#): Q2 Can you tell us [@HaroldPollack](#) & [@GregAnrig](#) how exactly has #ACA helped young adults and senior citizens? Any examples? **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:10 pm](#)



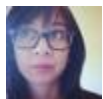
[@GregAnrig](#): It allows individuals up to age 26 to remain on their parents' insurance plans **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:11 pm](#)



[@haroldpollack](#): [@johnbaloney](#) Moreover when parents work for large employers, this is very helpful to young adults with preexisting conditions. **#policychat**

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[@kbyesuz](#): Best impact for my family/friends. RT [@greganrig](#): It allows individuals up to age 26 to remain on their parents' insurance plans **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:12 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcnn> **#policychat**

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[@HalleyTCF](#): A saving grace for many I know! RT [@GregAnrig](#): It allows individuals up to age 26 to remain on their parents' insurance plans **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): MT [@haroldpollack](#) When parents work for large employers, this is very helpful to young adults with preexisting conditions. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): Young adults have lower wages+move between jobs. Moreover they are hard-hit by recession. So this measure esp important now. **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:14 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a #graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since #ACA took effect: <http://t.co/UuMkdoq5> **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:14 pm



[@haroldpollack](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) In graph 19-25 coverage trend shows clear break when this ACA provision kicks in. No such break for 25-34 yr-olds **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:17 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): Q3 Has #ACA really helped individuals with pre-existing conditions get better coverage? How so? **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Even married and/or working young adults can stay on their parents' employer-based insurance **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Insurance plans that cover children can no longer deny coverage to anyone under 19 with pre-existing conditions **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:19 pm





[@haroldpollack](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) ACA helps in several ways before exchanges+Medicaid expansion. One important change is in tightened insurance regs. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:19 pm](#)



[@TCFdotorg](#): Another +1 for #HCR RT [@GregAnrig](#): Even married and/or working young adults can stay on their parents' employer-based insurance **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) Lifetime coverage limits have largely been lifted. Insurance plans can't set annual dollar limits below \$1.25million. **#policychat**

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[@JasonRenker](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcnn> **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): You asked earlier about Medicare: ACA enabled seniors to receive free preventive care, including a new annual wellness visit. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): Although preexisting condition insurance plans are highly imperfect, these provide relief for thousands of medically uninsured. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) Lifetime coverage limits have largely been lifted. Insurance plans cant set annual \$ limits below \$1.25mil. **#policychat**

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[@kbyesuz](#): This is great. MT [@greganrig](#): #ACA enabled seniors to receive free preventive care, including a new annual wellness visit. **#policychat**

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[@delong](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): Q4 How are private insurance companies being affected? What does this mean for the consumer? **#policychat**

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[@delong](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcm> **#policychat**

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[@Ben\\_Landy](#): Follow **#policychat** now to join Century Foundation fellows [@GregAnrig](#) and [@haroldpollack](#) in a conversation about the Affordable Care Act #p2

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[@haroldpollack](#): Less tangible but important: ACA alters fundamental business model for private insurance, particularly individual/small group. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): People on Medicare in the "donut hole" – whose meds cost > \$2930/yr – now get discounted drug coverage **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Last year, the discount enabled more than 2.6 million beneficiaries to save an average of \$569 per person: <http://t.co/UJgpAi2X> **#policychat**

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[@johnbaloney](#): RT [@kbyesuz](#): This is great. MT [@greganrig](#): #ACA enabled seniors to receive free preventive care, including a new annual wellness visit. **#policychat**

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[@BillCody](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcm> **#policychat**

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[@yanoak](#): Hooray for Obamacare! RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA requires greater transparency and integrity in private insurance, creates conditions for private market to function well. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): There's evidence that heightened scrutiny had induced plans to moderate or reverse rate increases: <http://t.co/aLQRh5pInn> **#policychat**

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[@joanwalsh](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@joelswaney](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@mreznicek01](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): As Greg noted, medical loss ratio requirements+other provisions prod plans to slow rate increases <http://t.co/E0A2DrKan> **#policychat**

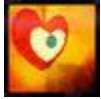
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[@makharya](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@pnuts\\_mama](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@kbyesuz](#): [@yanoak](#) Hooray indeed! **#obamacare #policychat**

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[@Willll5013](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@delong](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#): ACA requires greater transparency and integrity in private insurance, creates conditions for private market to function well. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): A survey found that 87% of large employers are strengthening efforts to produce health-conscious behavior <http://t.co/XB1GxE2K> **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): MT [@haroldpollack](#): Medical loss ratio requirements+other provisions prod plans to slow rate increases <http://t.co/gbxlyzRN> **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:32 pm](#)



[@oax78](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@sgw94](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcnn> **#policychat**

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[@MrGChristopher](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcnn> **#policychat**

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[@ASFried](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): Through proper regulation to address market failures, ACA makes possible viable individual/small group private insurance market. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): Q5 For our **#policychat** listeners, have you or a loved one seen the positive impact of #ACA yet? #hcr

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[@LDB3\\_Esquire](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcnn> **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Consulting firm expert says cost-shifting still going on, but employers' approach to health of workers is radically different **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:35 pm



[@kbyesusz](#): My bro and sis were able to stay on my mom's insurance, which def. helped my family financially. #ACA #hcr **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:36 pm





[@sethdmichaels](#): the very smart [@haroldpollack](#) and [@GregAnrig](#) are having a **#policychat** on twitter right now about health care & ACA. go check it out.

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[@jdmolyneux](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@zakouts84](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA expands key preventive screenings provided without copay. Health benefits starting to show. <http://t.co/J164630z> **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:38 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): An estimated 24 million people with Medicare took advantage of highly cost-effective free preventive care services **#policychat**

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[@JasonRenker](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): A survey found that 87% of large employers are strengthening efforts to produce health-conscious behavior <http://t.co/XB1GxE2K> **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) ACA expand key preventive screenings provided w/o copay. Health benefits starting to show <http://t.co/PtovQ1Ce> **#policychat**

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[@FlozellDaniels](#): Change I Can Believe In! RT"[@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**"

[February 22, 2012, 8:41 pm](#)



[@TCFdotorg](#): Q6 Why do you think President Obama should be embracing this domestic accomplishment in the lead up to 2012 elections? **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:41 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): Overall US health spending grew more slowly in 2009 and 2010 -- at 3.8% and 3.9%--than in the past 50 years. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:41 pm](#)



[@haroldpollack](#): States are also already moving ahead--passing h.i. exchange regs, a few have picked up the option for early Medicaid expansion. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@jdmolyneux](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@FlozellDaniels](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@profsteed](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#): ACA requires greater transparency and integrity in private insurance, creates conditions for private market to function well. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@jim\\_reedy](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you or a loved one personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@ASFried](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you or a loved one personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@LDB3\\_Esquire](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you or a loved one personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) Pres has many reasons to embrace ACA. Progressives can be grateful that he accomplished what predecessors couldn't. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): [@sgw94](#) Thanks for the RT! Have you or a loved one personally seen the positive impact of health care reform? **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA has (and will) provide greater security for millions of people in unsettling economic times. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): The popularity of health reform will improve if the president calls attention to the success stories already happening. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA provides women with reproductive health services--through reasoned compromise that won endorsement of Catholic providers. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) ACA has (and will) provide greater security for millions of people in unsettling economic times. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Otherwise conservatives will define Obamacare for him, which is what they have been succeeding at. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA fine print spurs other delivery system changes, e.g. strengthened use of comparative effectiveness research to improve care. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): MT [@haroldpollack](#) ACA gives women reproductive health services thru reasoned compromise, won endorsement of Catholic providers. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): I agree that the President and other liberals need to be out and proud in explaining/defending ACA as the accomplishment it is. **#policychat**

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[@JaniceNittoli](#): Aren't the beneficiaries of ACA from both parties? Help ensure LT support, withstand challenges? **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): Lots of accountable care organizations forming that will improve care and reduce costs **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@JaniceNittoli](#) Many Red State governors are quietly working with administration to implement ACA and to receive needed funds. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): TCF's experts say that President Obama should be embracing his health care reform act during the 2012 elections. Do you agree? **#policychat**

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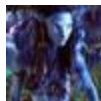
[@GregAnrig](#): Yes, [@janicenittoli](#) lots of those people benefitting are Republicans and red state residents **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@JaniceNittoli](#) Many of the biggest beneficiaries of ACA are individuals and governments in Texas, MS, other low-income states. **#policychat**

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[@dewattobay](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 8:52 pm](#)



[@TCFdotorg](#): Conservatives will define #ObamaCare, which is what they have been succeeding at, if the Pres doesn't embrace the positives. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): That same dynamic built and sustained long-lasting support for Social Security and Medicare, which even Tea Partiers defend **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#) Many Red State governors are quietly working with administration to implement ACA and to receive needed funds. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): ACA has provided important supports for community health centers, and for public health through prevention+public health fund. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): MT [@GregAnrig](#): Yes, [@janicenittoli](#) lots of those people benefiting from #ACA are Republicans and red state residents. #hcr #p2 **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@JaniceNittoli](#) I am convinced that if GOP repeals ACA (presumably if Romney victory) this would be long-term political disaster. **#policychat**

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[@JimmyCLewis](#): [@TCFdotorg](#) #Progressives should own #ObamaCare label. Saw Rep. Conyers [@PressClubDC](#) over a yr ago w/ "I <3 My ObamaCare" button **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): I am also convinced that ACA will prove popular once economy picks up. Much of its unpopularity reflects unease over economy. **#policychat**

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[@JaniceNittoli](#): RT [@haroldpollack](#): I am also convinced that ACA will prove popular once economy picks up. Much of its unpopularity reflects unease over economy. **#policychat**

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[@GregAnrig](#): [@haroldpollack](#) [@janicenittoli](#) repeal would be a political disaster for the Republicans but also for the country. **#policychat**

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[@haroldpollack](#): [@JimmyCLewis](#) Yes I agree. Progressives can push to expand ACA, e.g. Medicare buy-in or public option. ACA provided foundation. **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:58 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): MT [@JimmyCLewis](#) Progressives should own #ObamaCare label. Saw Rep. Conyers [@PressClubDC](#) over a yr ago w/ I <3 My ObamaCare pin. **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 8:59 pm



[@GregAnrig](#): [@haroldpollack](#) Square one would be a very bad place to be, because it would hard to get to square two. **#policychat**

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[@TCFdotorg](#): Great impact. RT [@mrgchristopher](#): I was back on my mother's health insurance for a few months before I turned 26 **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 9:00 pm



[@GregAnrig](#): And don't forget federalizing medicaid! <http://t.co/vOj7Qgpm> **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 9:01 pm



[@haroldpollack](#): Covering the 2008 campaign, I met many people with serious health problems. In 2014--but also today--ACA is helping millions. **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 9:01 pm



[@haroldpollack](#): Greg mentions Medicaid. ACA helps states by financing essentially the entire cost of Medicaid eligibility expansion in 2014. **#policychat**

February 22, 2012, 9:02 pm



[@TCFdotorg](#): Thank you [@greganrig](#) & [@haroldpollack](#) for your great insight on #ACA. Our time slot is over but follow us for info on the next **#policychat!**

February 22, 2012, 9:03 pm





[@GregAnrig](#): Yes, which is why it is silly for Republican governors to sue. They are getting a great deal. #policychat

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[@haroldpollack](#): Thanks everyone. best HAPn #policychat

[February 22, 2012, 9:04 pm](#)



[@GregAnrig](#): Thanks everyone, especially Harold! I'm sure [@haroldpollack](#) and I will be tweeting the Republican debate later for fun. #policychat

[February 22, 2012, 9:06 pm](#)



[@TCFdotorg](#): Thank you to all our participants, lurkers and RT-ers! Keep your eyes open for the next #policychat

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[@delong](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Overall US health spending grew more slowly in 2009 and 2010 -- at 3.8% and 3.9%--than in the past 50 years. #policychat

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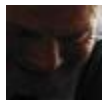
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[@sgw94](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): An estimated 24 million people with Medicare took advantage of highly cost-effective free preventive care services **#policychat**

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[@Gkelly20](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Here's a graph showing the spike in coverage for young adults since ACA took effect: <http://t.co/QGM1H4Jcm> **#policychat**

[February 22, 2012, 9:14 pm](#)



[@yorksranter](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): The share of 19-25 year olds with insurance increased from 64% to 73% -- a huge jump. **#policychat**

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[@jcoop9](#): RT [@GregAnrig](#): Overall US health spending grew more slowly in 2009 and 2010 -- at 3.8% and 3.9%--than in the past 50 years. **#policychat**

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