

Individual Mandate

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Agenda

- 1. Brief history of the individual health insurance mandate
- 2. Current status of the individual heath insurance mandate
- 3. Comments from insurers and medical community



Individual Mandate: Brief History

- > Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2011: individual mandate effective 2014
- > Requires individuals to have health insurance that meet specified standards
 - > Exemptions
 - ➤ Penalties for noncompliance
- ➤ Goals of the Individual Mandate
 - ➤ More diverse pool of policyholders
 - > Reduces cost shift from uninsured to insured



Individual Mandate: Current Status

- > Tax Reform Bill of 2017 eliminates penalties associated with individual mandate- effective 2019
- ➤ Congressional Budget Office November 2017 Brief (national estimates)¹:
 - **Enrollment:**
 - ➤ 4 million less health insurance enrollees in 2014
 - ➤ 13 million less health insurance enrollees in 2027
 - > Premiums:
 - ➤ Increase in the nongroup market by 10%
- Vermont Estimates: to be determined

