

Election Recap: APG's
take on the 2018
Midterms

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Agenda



House



Senate



Gubernatorial



Ballot Initiatives

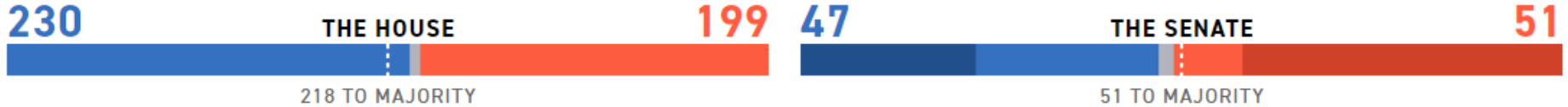


2019 Policy Implications

Topline Results

**DEMOCRATS WIN
THE HOUSE ✓**

**REPUBLICANS WIN
THE SENATE ✓**



Themes



Turnout was off the charts – more than 113 million people voted (at least 48 percent of eligible Americans) up from the 83 million votes cast in 2014



Democrats dominated in Republican-held suburban districts and helped flip the House



Women

- Trump's influence lost Republicans the female vote, especially among younger women
- Record-breaking number of women elected to serve in the next Congress



Diversity

- Record number of Hispanics
- Rep. Jared Polis (D-CO) the first openly gay governor in the nation
- Deb Haaland (D-NN) and Sharice Davids (D-KS) are the first two Native American women elected to Congress
- Rashida Tlaib (D-MI) and Ilhan Omar (D-MN) are the first two Muslim women elected to Congress
- Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-NY) is the youngest woman elected to Congress at age 29



2020 races beginning already – Sessions for Senate? O'Rourke for President?

House

230 Democrats, 199 Republicans, 6 Undecideds



California



New Mexico



Georgia



Utah



Maine

What does it mean?



Oversight, Oversight, Oversight

President Trump

Agency overreach including HHS, CMS,
and CMMI



25 of the 30 candidates who
flipped Republican seats were
backed by the “New Dem”
caucus. This group of
moderates will likely have
increased influence in the
Democratic House



Will Dems work with Trump on
healthcare issues like drug
pricing, ACA taxes, or surprise
billing? Perhaps, but unlikely.

Health Care Leadership in the House

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Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House



Kevin McCarthy
Minority Leader

Energy and
Commerce



CHAIR: Frank Palone
(D-NJ)



Greg Walden
(R-OR)

Ways and
Means



CHAIR: Richard Neal
(D-MA)



Kevin Brady
(R-TX)

Senate

47 Democrats, 51 Republicans, 2 Undecideds



Florida



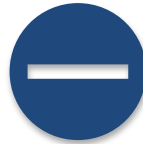
Mississippi

What does it mean?



Judges, Judges, Judges

Abortion, conception and family planning
ACA challenges



**Divided government – there
will be little action on big ticket
items**



Repeal and Replace is dead

Health Care Leadership in the Senate

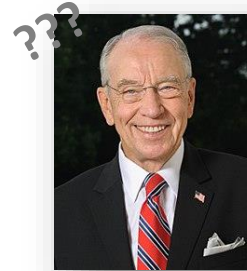


Mitch McConnell
Majority Leader



Chuck Schumer
Minority Leader

Finance

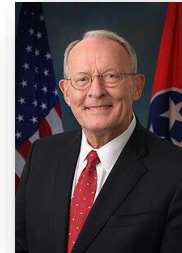


CHAIR: Chuck Grassley
(R-IA)



Ron Wyden
(D-OR)

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP)

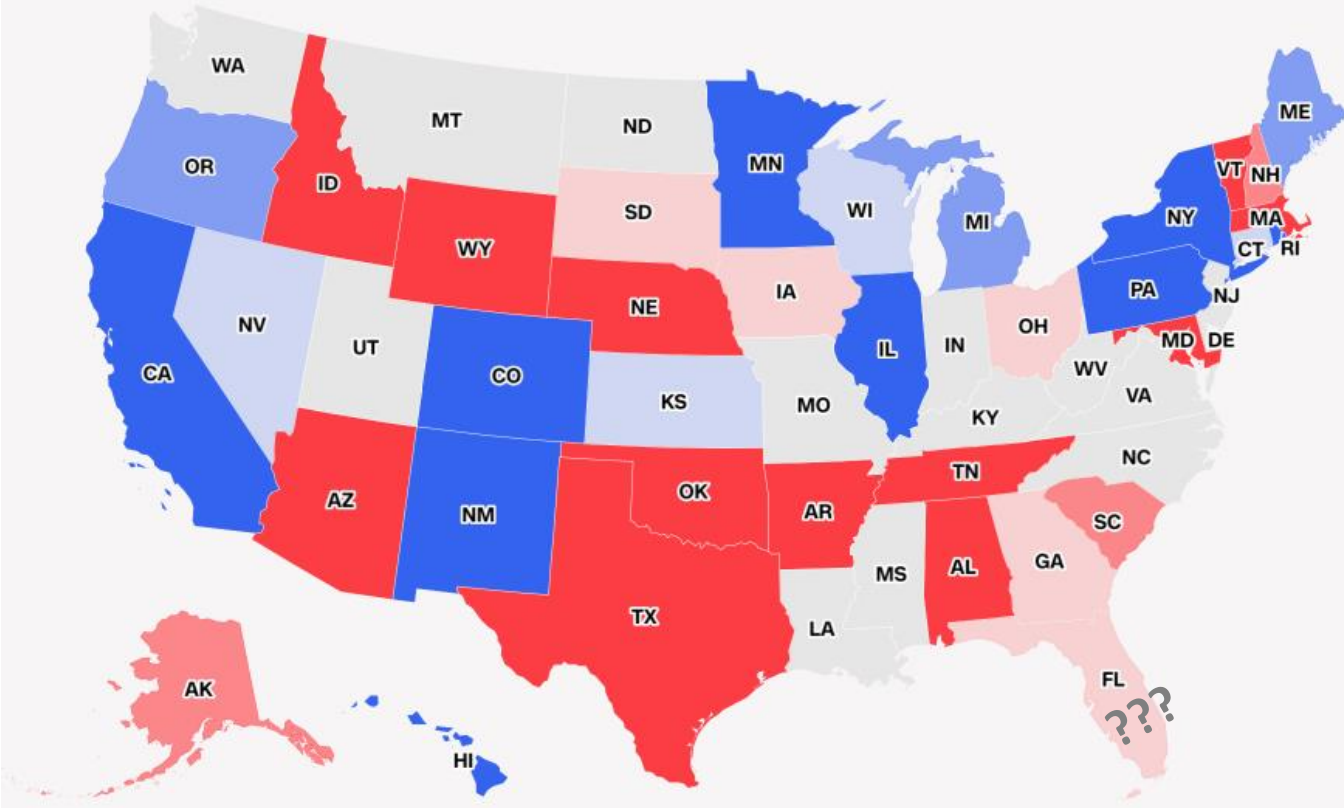


CHAIR: Lamar Alexander
(R-TN)



Patty Murray
(D-WA)

Gubernatorial



What does it mean?



Republicans in FL and OH
key for 2020



Governors play key role in
state challenges to ACA and
Federal healthcare policy



Medicaid expansion, work
requirements

Healthcare Ballot Initiatives



MEDICAID
EXPANSION



ABORTION



OPIOIDS, MEDICAL
MARIJUANA, AND
ILLICIT DRUGS



DIALYSIS COSTS IN CA



IN-HOME CARE FOR
SENIORS IN ME

Top 5 Post-Election Takeaways

1. Democrats ran on healthcare and will feel a need to make it a major part of their legislative agenda, but Democrats will need to manage internal friction
2. There will be major changes at key healthcare Committees with Democrats taking over in the House, Finance Chairman Hatch retiring, and multiple losses/retirements
3. Given the popularity of Medicaid expansion on election day and some new incoming Democratic governors, expect promoting more states to expand Medicaid to be a major area of focus
4. While there is some room for deal-making, Democrats might be reluctant to provide President Trump with legislative accomplishments
5. Some areas of bipartisanship could include drug pricing, **value based payment reforms**, price transparency, ACA stabilization, and surprising billing issues

2019 Policy Implications



Medicaid expansion



Drug pricing



Protections for preexisting conditions



Medicare for all



Funding for Federal Health Programs



Oversight

APG 2019 Advocacy Priorities



Enact APG's Third
Option



Improve the Value
Component of MA



Strengthen and
Protect MACRA



Save the Date

ANNUAL Conference 2019

Quality and Efficiency: How to Succeed in Risk-Based Models

April 11-13, 2019 | Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego, CA

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