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**AMERICANS' VALUES AND BELIEFS ABOUT  
NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM**

This survey was conducted for The Commonwealth Fund, *The New York Times*, and Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, via telephone (landline and cell phone) by SSRS, an independent research company. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish, **July 10 - August 11, 2019**, among a nationally representative probability-based sample of 2,005 adults age 18 or older. The margin of error for the total respondents is +/-2.5 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

Q9. Currently there is a lot of discussion about what type of health insurance system the U.S. should have in the future. There are three proposals that are currently being discussed. Please tell me for each of the following whether you would support or oppose it. (First/Next), how about: (INSERT ITEM). Would you support or oppose this?

**Base: Registered voters; n=1678**

- a. Changing our health care system so that all Americans would get health insurance from Medicare, which is now mainly for people age 65 or over and is paid for by taxpayers. This plan is often called Medicare for All.

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Don't know/ Refused</b>
<b>Total registered voters</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Republicans</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Democrats</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>3</b>

- b. Keeping the existing Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, and passing additional legislation to improve how it works.

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Don't know/ Refused</b>
<b>Total registered voters</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Republicans</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Democrats</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>2</b>

- c. Replacing the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, with a new law that would give taxpayer funding to **STATES** to design their own health insurance systems with fewer federal rules.

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Don't know/ Refused</b>
<b>Total registered voters</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Republicans</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>Democrats</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>5</b>