



## HEALTHCARE ROUND-UP



January 6, 2017

### [NAPEO Webinar: Preparing your PEO and Clients for ACA Repeal and Replace](#)

**January 11, 2017, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EDT**

The election of Donald Trump, along with Republican control of Congress, sets the stage for an overhaul of employer-sponsored healthcare and health insurance. These changes have the potential to create tremendous opportunities - as well as challenges - for PEOs. Republicans are vowing to quickly repeal the Affordable Care Act (ACA), but what does “repeal” really mean? And how can you prepare both your employees and your clients for ACA repeal and the potential ACA replacement. Join Seth Perretta and Malcolm Slee of Groom Law Group, along with NAPEO staff including Thom Stohler (NAPEO Vice President of Federal Government Affairs) as they look forward to what is in store for 2017. Topics will include the prospect of ACA “repeal and replace,” new legislation that allows small employers to pay employees’ premiums for individual insurance, and other legislative priorities on the horizon for the Trump Administration - with a focus on the issues that will be of particular importance for PEOs and their clients. Register now for this important webinar.

### [Senate Republicans Start Obamacare Repeal Process](#)

*Roll Call*

Senate Republicans wasted no time setting in motion their plan to repeal President Barack Obama’s signature healthcare law. On Tuesday January 3, Senate Budget Chairman Michael B. Enzi started the process known as reconciliation. A 2017 fiscal year budget [resolution](#) the Wyoming Republican unveiled on the first day of the 115th Congress includes instructions to two House and two Senate committees to craft legislation reducing the deficit by \$1 billion over the next ten years.

### [GOP Launches Long-Promised Repeal of Obamacare](#)

*The Washington Post*

Congressional Republicans launched their long-promised effort to dismantle the ACA, even as they acknowledged that they may need several months to develop a replacement. Signifying how enormous a priority the issue is for the incoming administration, Vice President-elect Mike Pence met privately to discuss repeal with House and Senate Republicans. He offered no details afterward about what a new healthcare law might look like but vowed to unwind the existing one through a mixture of executive actions and legislation.

### [Republicans’ 4-Step Plan to Repeal the Affordable Care Act](#)

*The New York Times*

Vice President-elect Mike Pence and the top Republicans in Congress made clear that they are dead serious about repealing the ACA. A determined

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Republican president and Congress can gut the ACA, and do it quickly: a step-by-step health care revolution in reverse that would undo many of the changes made since the law was signed by President Obama in March 2010.

### [Battle Lines Drawn on Obamacare Repeal](#)

*The Hill*

Democrats and Republicans are honing their lines of attack for a battle over Obamacare repeal that is likely to consume Washington for much of the year. The messaging war started in earnest Wednesday on Capitol Hill, where Democrats and Republicans huddled in separate meetings to discuss strategy.

### [What's Employers' No. 1 Concern in 2017?](#)

*Employee Benefits News*

In the aftermath of President-elect Donald Trump's surprise victory, the top employee benefit concern among employers remains their role on the ACA. According to a survey of 800 employers conducted by brokerage solution provider Aon, nearly half – 48 percent - responded that the employer mandate is their biggest concern for the new administration.

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