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Making Sense of Weak Signals
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Weak Signals Briefing: Health Policy

• Long Term: Will fee for service payment be replaced by value payment?

• Short Term: What are the issues that will confront a new administration and Congress in 2017?
Delivery structures are Changing

“We always overestimate the change that will occur in the next two years and underestimate the change that will occur in the next ten. Don't let yourself be lulled into inaction.”

- Bill Gates

Diffusion of Innovation

Based on Diffusion of Innovations (1962), by Everett Rogers
ACO Growth

ACO Prevalence is increasing

Estimated ACO Penetration by Hospital Referral Region
2015

Source: Leavitt Partners Center for Accountable Care Intelligence
HOSPITALS IN ACOS OVER TIME

2015

Source: Leavitt Partners Center for Accountable Care Intelligence
ACO Growth

Contract growth outpacing absolute growth

Source: Leavitt Partners Center for Accountable Care Intelligence
ACO Growth

ACO-Covered Lives To date

Lives Covered (Millions)

Source: Leavitt Partners Center for Accountable Care Intelligence
ACO Growth
Projected ACO-Covered Lives

Source: Leavitt Partners Center for Accountable Care Intelligence
Weak Signals: New Administration/Congress

• Fragile Individual Market

• Environment for Medicaid Expansion and 1332 Waivers

• Pharmaceutical Pricing