

Figure 1. Priorities for Improving Health Care

“President-elect Obama’s campaign proposal included provisions that would improve quality, efficiency and cost control as well as increase coverage. In your view, in what order should the Obama administration focus on these broad areas of health reforms?”

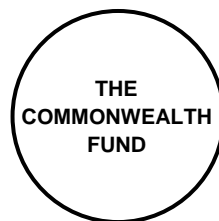
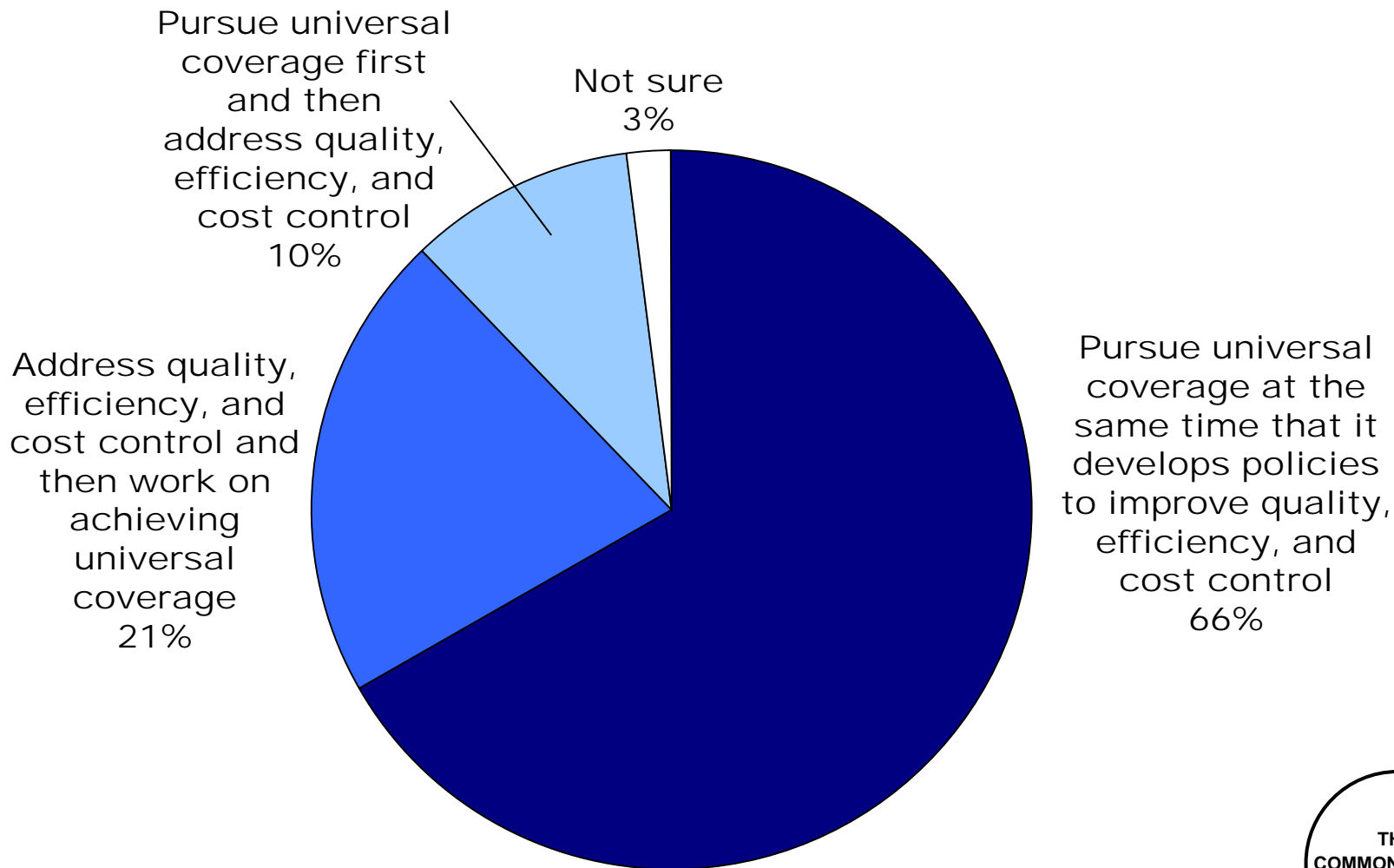
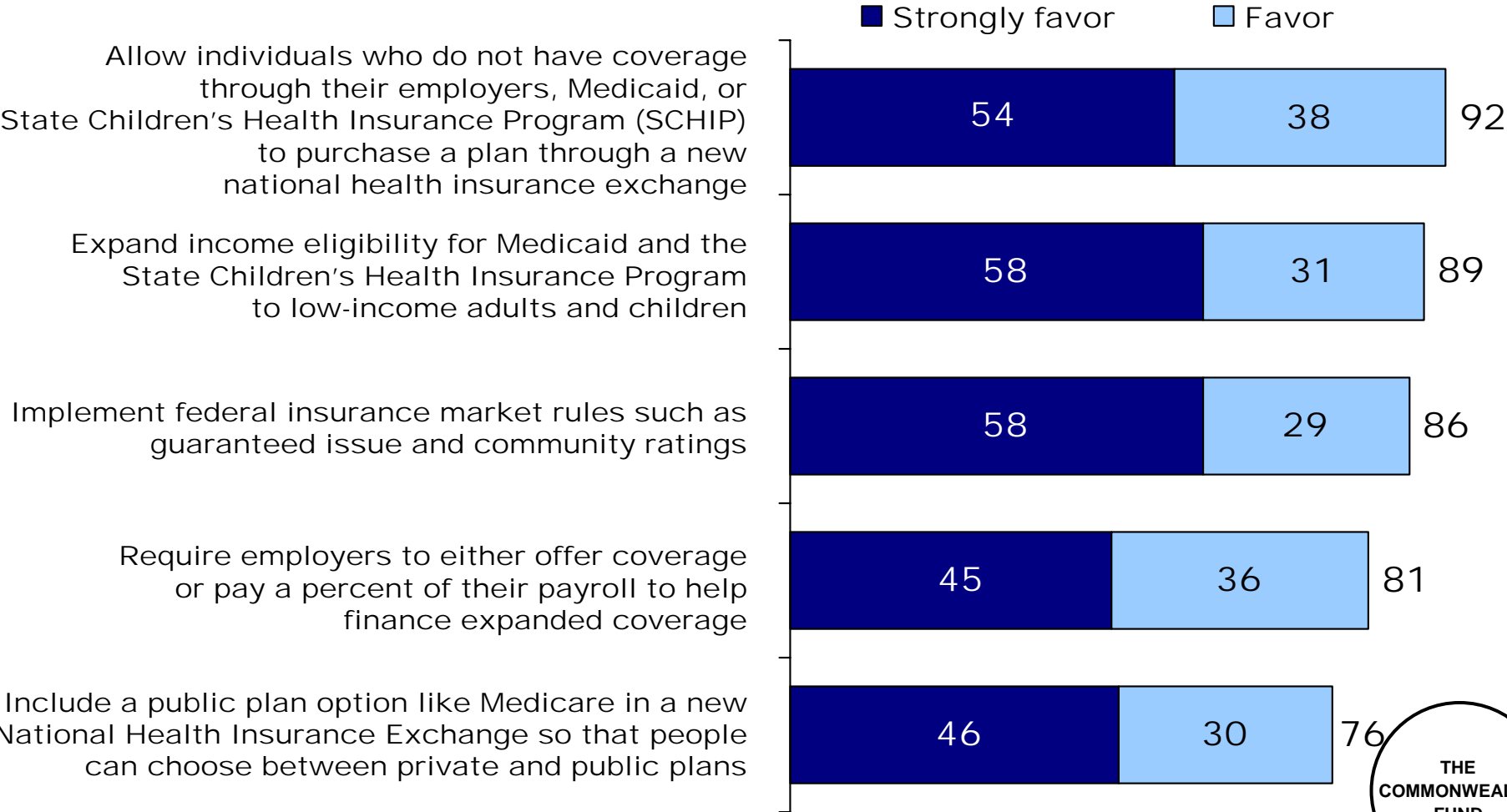


Figure 2. Support for Key Elements of President-elect Obama's Proposal to Expand Health Insurance Coverage

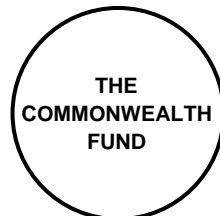
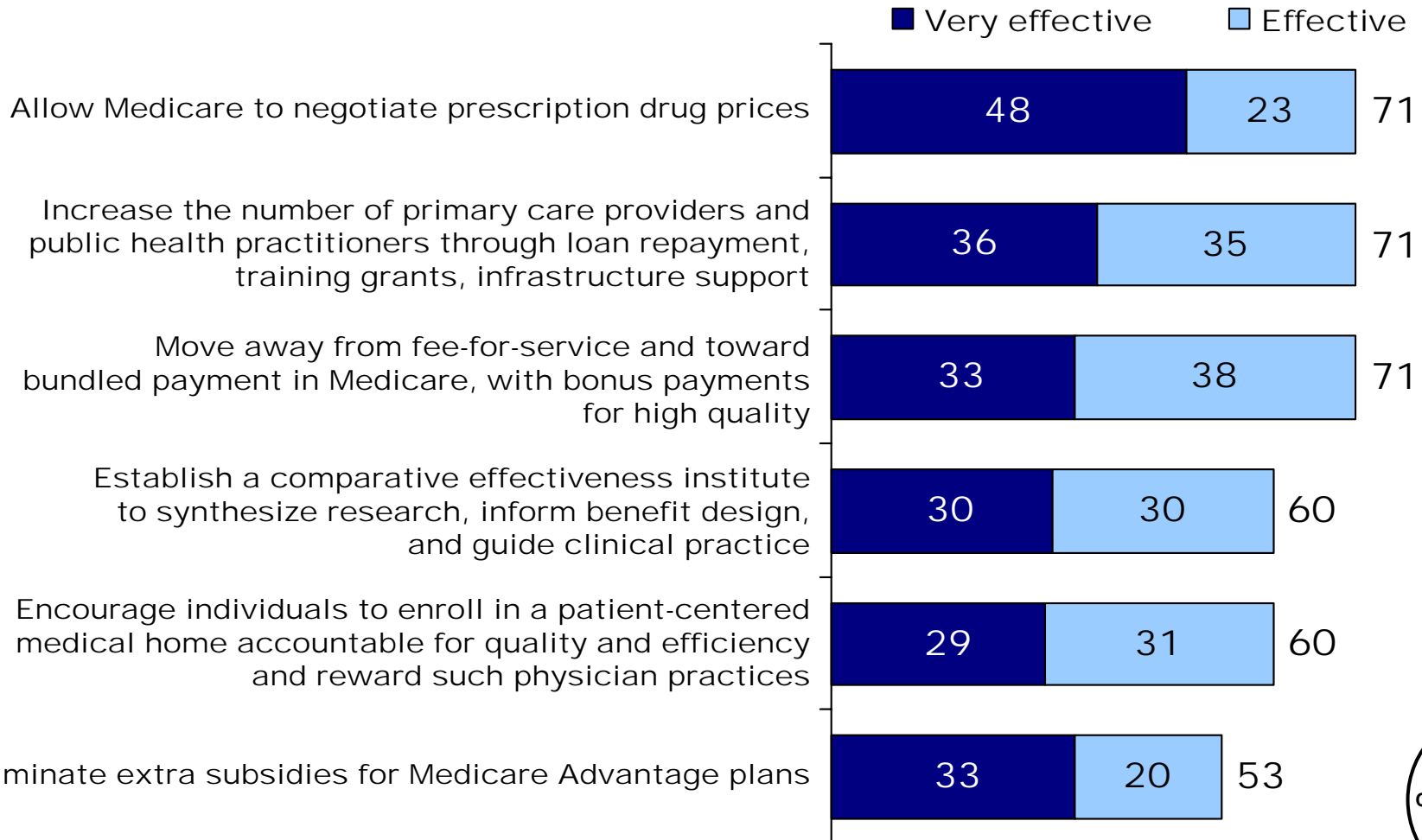
"President-elect Obama's proposal to expand health insurance coverage includes several features. To what extent do you favor or oppose each of the following key elements of his proposal?"



Source: Commonwealth Fund Health Care Opinion Leaders Survey, December 2008.

Figure 3. Perceived Effectiveness of Policies for Controlling Health Care Costs

“Below is a list of policies that aim to control health care costs, many of which were part of President-elect Obama’s healthcare reform proposal. How effective do you think each of these features would be in reducing the growth in health care costs?”



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Figure 4. Perceived Importance of Health Care Reform Measures in an Economic Stimulus Package

“Policy makers are considering including healthcare reform measures as part of an economic stimulus package. Please indicate the importance of including the following policy changes in such a package.”

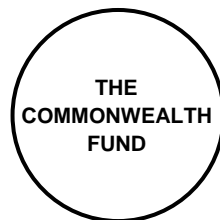
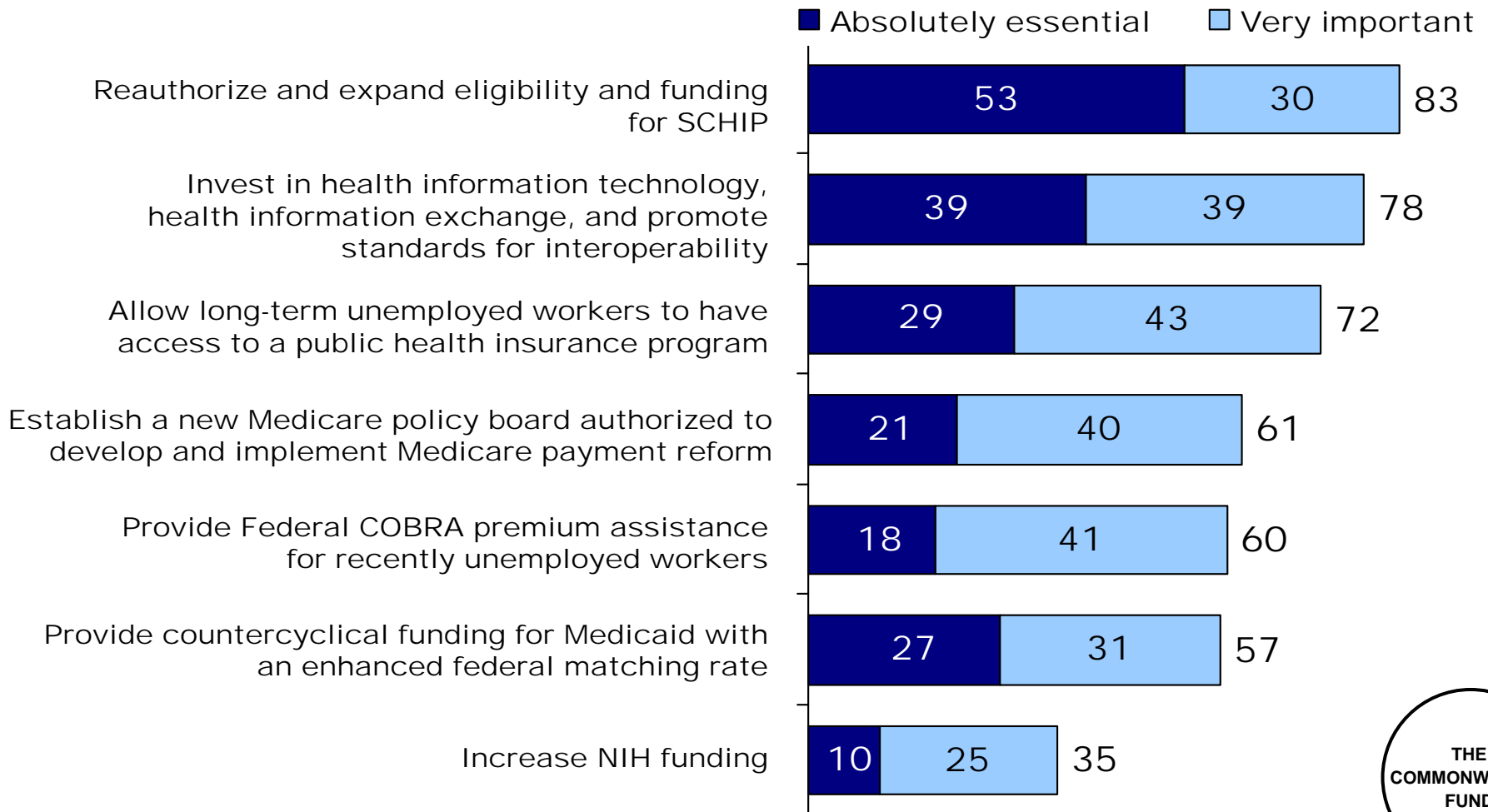


Figure 5. Perceived Importance of Including Various Policies in the First Phase of a Phased Approach to Universal Coverage

“Given the current economic and fiscal challenges facing the country, analysts have discussed the possibility of ‘phasing-in’ universal coverage and other system reforms. If President Obama were to follow a phased approach to universal coverage please indicate how important you think it is that each of the following policies be included in the first phase.”

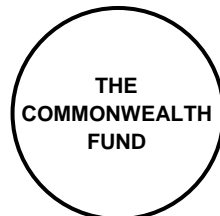
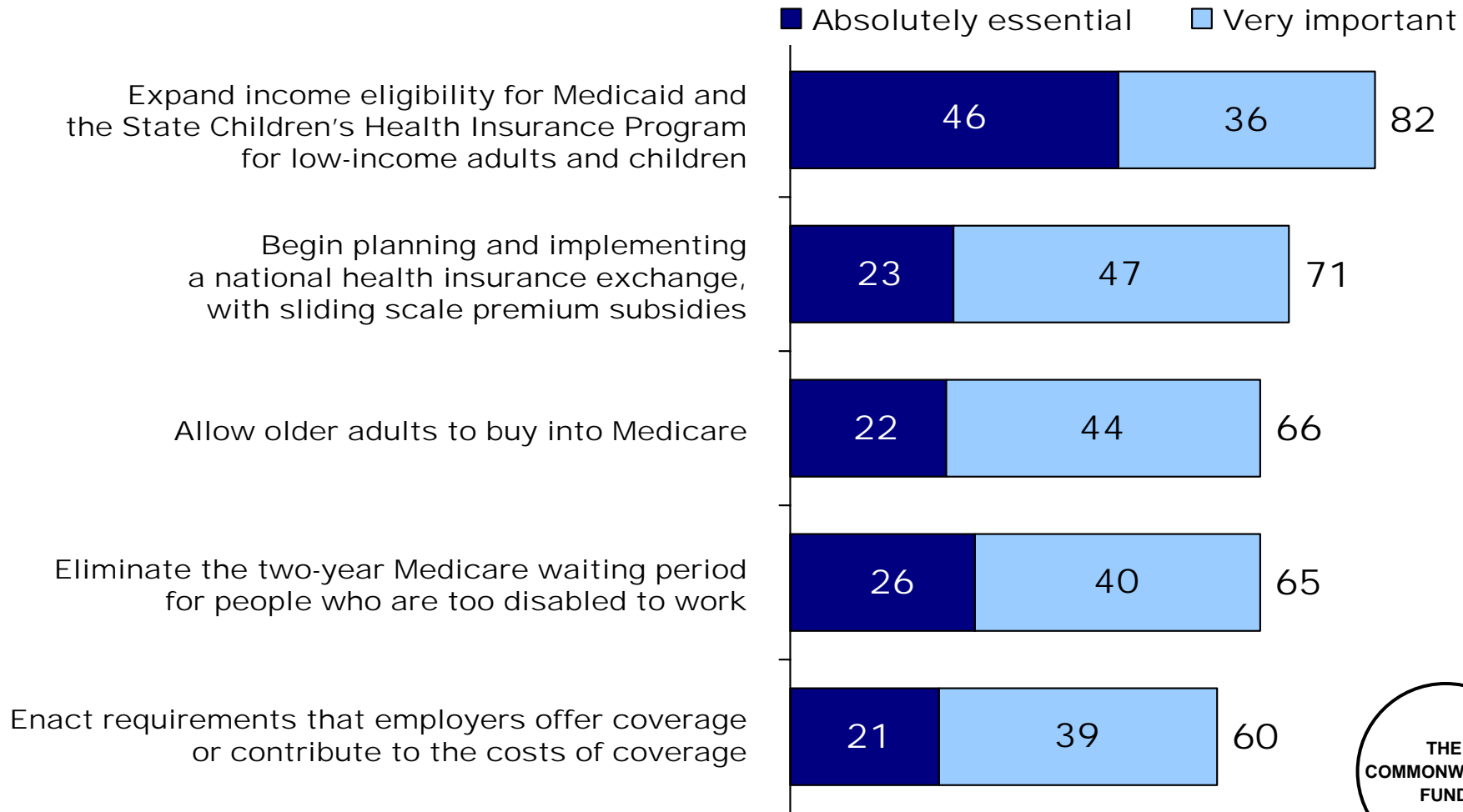
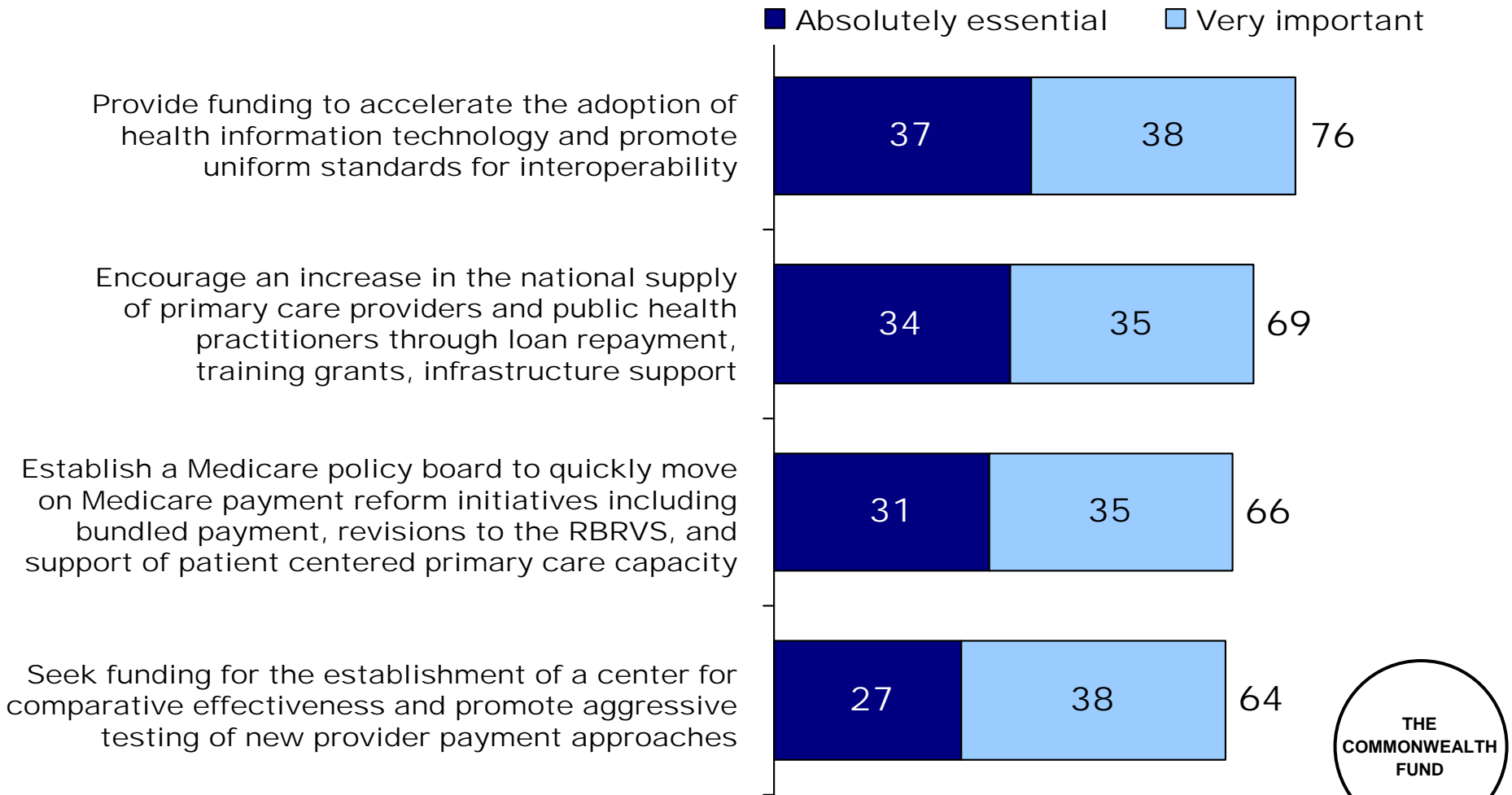


Figure 6. Perceived Importance of Payment Reform, Promoting Efficiency, and Controlling Costs in a Phased Approach to System Reform

“If President-elect Obama were to follow a phased approach to system reforms such as payment reform, promoting health system efficiency, and controlling costs, please indicate how important you think it is that each of the following policies be included in the first phase.”



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