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Today's Playbook Power Briefing presented by the Coalition for Affordable Prescription Drugs (CAPD)

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Good Tuesday afternoon. THE STORY EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT -- MCKAY COPPINS on A.J. DELGADO -- "From Trump Aide to Single Mom: Last November, A.J. Delgado played a vital role on a winning campaign. Then everything fell apart:"
<http://theatln.tc/2uFPSVs>

FROM TRUMP TOWER -- @realDonaldTrump at 11:21 a.m.: "For every CEO that drops out of the Manufacturing Council, I have many to take their place. Grandstanders should not have gone on. JOBS!"

-- **@ScottPaulAAM**, president of the Alliance for American Manufacturing, at 11:37 a.m.: "I'm resigning from the Manufacturing Jobs Initiative because it's the right thing for me to do."

-- **BY THE WAY**, the irony is this council doesn't really do much.

THE PRESIDENT'S TWITTER ACCOUNT continues to be a source of controversy. This morning he retweeted a cartoon of a reporter adorned with the CNN logo being hit by a Trump Train. It was quickly removed from his Twitter feed. It is not the first time a tweet from the president's account has shown violence against the personification of CNN. He tweeted a video of himself tackling pro-wrestling icon Vince McMahon with a CNN logo superimposed over his head in July. **The cartoon** <http://bit.ly/2uFKiIT>

-- **Trump also retweeted** Pizzagate conspiracy theorist Jack Posobiec (who also once tried to spread a hoax that anti-Trump protesters were shouting "Rape Melania") and retweeted (and deleted) a tweet from a Twitter user calling him a fascist, presumably by accident.

VALLEY TALK -- "DreamHost is fighting DoJ request for 1.3M IP addresses of visitors to anti-Trump protest site," by TechCrunch's Natasha Lomas: "Web hosting service DreamHost is fighting a Department of Justice demand to scoop up all the IP

addresses of visitors to an anti-Trump website. The website in question, disruptj20.org, organized participants of political protests against the current U.S. administration. Blogging about its objections to the warrant yesterday, DreamHost's general counsel describes it as 'a highly untargeted demand that chills free association and the right of free speech afforded by the Constitution'. ... In the warrant the DoJ demands that DreamHost hand over 1.3 million visitor IP addresses to the disruptj20.org website, along with contact information, email content, and photos of thousands of people." <http://tcrn.ch/2uY7ZkA>

VICE PRESIDENT MIKE PENCE is in Argentina, meeting with President Mauricio Macri. During joint remarks, Pence dodged a question on White House infighting, per pooler Phil Rucker of the Washington Post: "Pence was asked about the infighting back home at the White House and specifically the campaign to undermine National Security Adviser H.R. McMaster. Pence did not specifically answer the question, instead highlighting what he sees as progress and 'strong leadership' of Trump in his seven months as president. 'Our administration, now some seven months old, has seen America restore more than a million new jobs at home, but also what the world has seen under President Donald Trump is an American president who's once again embracing our historic role as leader of the free world without apology,' Pence said."

***** **A message from the Coalition for Affordable Prescription Drugs (CAPD):** If you know only one fact about rising drug costs, know this one: drug makers set prices for prescription drugs. To help manage nearly double-digit price increases, employers, unions and government programs use PBMs to negotiate lower net prices to help curb costs for employers and patients. Learn more at affordableprescriptiondrugs.org *****

NOT JUST NUKES -- "North Korea's Trump card -- chemical weapons targeting American troops," by McClatchy's Stuart Leavenworth: "[T]here's at least one significant reason why U.S. military leaders would be reluctant to carry out such a strike: North Korea would surely retaliate, and this retaliation could include use of chemical weapons. 'Nuclear weapons are not the only threat,' said Kelsey Davenport, director of non-proliferation policy for the Arms Control Association. 'North Korea could respond to a U.S. attack using chemical weapons. That would be devastating.' North Korea is known to have compiled large stockpiles of nerve agents such as sarin and VX. It could fire these from hidden artillery and missile sites, targeting U.S. military bases in the region and cities such as Seoul and Tokyo." <http://bit.ly/2uYkrAR>

MUST WATCH REPORT -- Vice News' Elle Reeve has a great report from Charlottesville that aired last night on "Vice News Tonight." She has exclusive interviews with white nationalist leaders including Chris Cantwell and David Duke and Charlottesville residents who were protesting the white nationalists and neo-Nazis. <http://bit.ly/2uFETeG>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS -- "Paul Ryan to hold televised town hall next week," by the Wisconsin State Journal's Mark Sommerhauser: "House Speaker Paul Ryan will hold a televised town hall meeting with constituents live from Racine next week on CNN,

his office has announced. The town hall will be at 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 21, according to a release from Ryan's office. It will be hosted by CNN's Jake Tapper and held at the Racine Theater Guild." <http://bit.ly/2uFJWLY>

TODAY'S BEYOND THE BELTWAY -- Illinois' first lady has increased behind-the-scenes role -- California braces for far-right rallies <http://politi.co/2uXQQaX>

ANOTHER MOVIE TRAILER AD -- Democrat Boyd Melson, a retired boxer and West Point graduate, announced he was running for Congress in New York's 11th district with a splashy new ad. The district is currently represented by Rep. Dan Donovan (R-N.Y.), who won his election in 2016 by over 25 points. The ad comes from Hilltop Public Solutions, the same firm that produced the viral ad for Randy Bryce, the Democratic iron worker challenging Speaker Paul Ryan. **Melson's ad** <http://bit.ly/2uYOOXT>

GOOD USE OF FOIA -- "Did the mayor of New York assassinate a groundhog, and other shocking revelations from the #Groundhogazi emails," by Matthew Guariglia in Muckrock <http://bit.ly/2uY8IYB>

HOLLYWOODLAND -- "Greg Berlanti, Martin Gero Team for Political Drama at NBC," by Hollywood Reporter's Lesley Goldberg: "Greg Berlanti and Martin Gero are getting political. The 'Blindspot' duo have scored a hefty put-pilot commitment from NBC for drama 'Republic.' The project is described as a hopeful political drama that follows the newly minted female chief of staff to a moderate Republican president. With their administration in dire crisis, they find themselves under fire from extremists on both sides, defending their well-intentioned actions both politically and legally." <http://bit.ly/2i35OLD>

MEDIAWATCH -- PLAYBOOK SCOOPLET: AMIE PARNES is now a political analyst for CNN. She will also remain at The Hill.

TRANSITIONS -- Brandon Shaw has started as director of corporate comms at ICM Partners after a few years at Fifteen Minutes PR. He also previously worked for the Obama White House. ... **Wendy Helgemo** has joined GWU as the inaugural director of its AT&T Center for Indigenous Politics and Policy. She was most recently senior adviser on Indian affairs to former Sen. Harry Reid (D-Nev.).

SPOTTED at the 50th birthday party last night at Old Ebbitt of Sean Miles, senior adviser to Florida Gov. Rick Scott: Loretta Solon Greene, George Gigicos, Brennan Hart, Nick Owens, Elizabeth Pinkerton, Geoff Smith, Lenwood Brooks, Elizabeth Rojas, Emily Murphy, Sarah Habansky, Ryan O'Dwyer, Ryan Eaton

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The high prices that drug makers set for prescription drugs can put financial strain on patients, employers, unions and others who provide health care coverage to more than 50 percent of Americans. Pharmacy benefit managers negotiate the lowest net price for prescriptions on behalf of employers, unions and government programs. But, as list

prices - the starting point for those negotiations -- continue their nearly double-digit increases, the effects ripple throughout the system. The key to ensuring greater access and affordability lies in fostering greater competition. Facilitating faster reviews of generics and biosimilars, identifying off-patent drugs with little or no generic competition, and ending anti-competitive practices that keep safe, effective alternatives out of the market are also key to abating rising drug costs for patients. Learn more at affordableprescriptiondrugs.org *****

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