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## Biden's Mental Acuity Raising Questions About the Democrat Frontrunner

Now that the polling analysis website [FiveThirtyEight has all but called the contest over](#), with Joe Biden's chances of winning his party's nomination for president at nine out of 10 on the first ballot in July, Democrats are now focusing on the mental health of their likely candidate to face the president in the general election.



Justin Horwitz, a Democrat strategist, told Fox News host Tucker Carlson on Thursday that there is an increasing consensus among top Democrats that "Uncle Joe" is in steep mental "decline."

He told Tucker, "People in the Democratic establishment say, 'Oh, don't say that.' They really believe they can shield Joe Biden from public scrutiny.... The reality is, they can't.... We all see what's going on here and it's going to be a disaster if we nominate Joe Biden."

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Afterwards Horwitz tweeted:

I went on Fox News because MSNBC and CNN won't allow people [like me] ... to air out the elephant in the room: Joe Biden's mental health. It's something we all see, and we should get out ahead of it now, because this will be a major part of How Trump crushes Biden [in the general election].

The president himself can hardly wait. Last summer Trump told reporters at the White House that "Joe Biden is not playing with a full deck. This is not somebody you can have as your president. But if he got the nomination, I'd be thrilled."

Now that Biden has all but sewn up the nomination, the president put together a "greatest hits" compilation of Biden's gaffes from the past, adding "WOW! Sleepy Joe doesn't know where he is, or what he's doing. Honestly, I don't think he even knows what office he's running for!"

Trump was referring specifically to a gaffe Biden made last month when he asked voters in South Carolina to consider him for the U.S. Senate.

A few days later he introduced a Senate candidate as the "next president." He also claimed at the Democratic debate in South Carolina that 150 million Americans have been killed by gun violence since 2007. And then he failed to remember what show he was on when he was interviewed by Fox News host Chris Wallace, calling him "Chuck." Responded Wallace: "It's Chris, but anyway."

In a video-recorded interview last month with the editorial board of the Des Moines Register, Biden said, "I'm the guy that put together the plan in Colombia, straightening that government out for a long while. Now what's happening? Millions of people are crossing the border and destabilizing Bolivia."



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The Washington Examiner checked the map, caught the error, and tweeted, “Bolivia does not share a border with Venezuela. The two are separated by 700 miles of the Amazon rainforest.”

The list of gaffes attributed to the Democrat Party’s frontrunner is unsettlingly long. He confused Margaret Thatcher with Theresa May, referred to the Second Amendment as the First, tripled the number of casualties in the 1970 Kent State shooting, and mixed up his campaign website address with a text-message code. And at the Iowa State Fair, he perhaps most famously declared that “we choose truth over facts!”

Republican strategist and former Clinton advisor Dick Morris thinks Biden needs to be checked out: “We cannot elect a president who might have Alzheimer’s. The magnitude of the decisions a president needs to make has to rule out anyone who is mentally impaired. And Joe Biden’s performance in dozens of interviews raises valid questions about his mental health.”

So does Ronny Lynn Jackson, the chief medical advisor to the president, who tweeted: “Remember the cognitive test I gave [the president], the one he aced? Sounds like somebody else might need some testing done!”

Even Michelle Cottle, a member of the *New York Times* editorial board, admitted that Biden “is alive but he still needs some work.” She noted:

Mr. Biden has suddenly gone from being gently ignored — like the dotty uncle who’s forever talking nonsense at family get-togethers — to being touted as the man to beat...

[Biden suffers from] verbal incontinence. Mr. Biden likes to talk, a lot. And he tends to wander off on tangents, switch directions and erupt in non sequiturs.

Every time he speaks, Democrats hold their breath.

She even went so far as to suggest, likely tongue-in-cheek, that “the Biden campaign has indeed resurrected itself. But it could still use some intensive care.”

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