

# Health Care in 2019 and Beyond



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# Market Driven Health Care

Why American Medicine is not “Market- Driven”



And hasn't been since the 1950s

# “Pure” Medicare for All

- ◆ “Single-Payer” system
- ◆ No copays
- ◆ No deductibles
- ◆ Providers remain independent
- ◆ Middle-class family would save more than \$5,800 [Sander’s estimate]

“Under Medicare for All, you wouldn’t deal with insurance companies, putting an end to arguments over claims, saving you money, and reducing stress.”

Medicare for all- what it really means  
United Medicare Advisors

<https://www.unitedmedicareadvisors.com/what-does-medicare-for-all-mean/>

# “Pure” Medicare for All

- ◆ Inpatient and outpatient health care services
- ◆ Preventative, emergency, and nonemergency health care services and treatments
- ◆ Primary and specialty health care, including palliative and long-term care
- ◆ Care for vision, hearing, and oral health problems
- ◆ Mental health and addiction services
- ◆ Prescription medication
- ◆ Medical equipment and supplies
- ◆ Diagnostic tests

- ◆ \$630 billion from a 6.2 percent income-based premium paid by employers
- ◆ \$210 billion from a 2.2 percent income-based premium paid by households making more than \$28,800
- ◆ \$110 billion from progressive income tax rates for Americans with yearly earnings over \$250,000
- ◆ \$92 billion from taxing capital gains and dividends in line with employment income
- ◆ \$15 billion from limiting tax deduction for Americans with yearly earnings over \$250,000
- ◆ \$21 billion from a new Responsible Estate Tax applied to the homes of Americans inheriting more than \$3.5 million
- ◆ \$310 billion from savings as health-related tax expenses become obsolete

# “Pure” Medicare for All

- ◆ No more employment-based insurance
- ◆ Private insurance companies are gone
- ◆ Taxes (arguably) will go up (Vt. 2012= 160%)
- ◆ The ACA structure is replaced

More “Single-Payer” than Medicare



Far more generous than other countries commonly used as comparisons

## Also “Medicare-For-All”

- ◆ A Medicare plan is made available (for purchase) on the Obamacare Exchanges
- ◆ People with private insurance could keep it
- ◆ Far lower cost (balance also with subsidies)

Private insurance companies would find it hard to compete against a government-backed option



Killed by Democrats  
(Lieberman) 2009

# Also “Medicare For All”



Expand current  
Medicare to people  
**50 – 64**  
years old



Allow States to devise  
their own single-payer  
systems and opt out of  
federal Medicare



# NOT “Medicare for All”

Patient and Provider free to make treatment choices without intervention



Not “Free”



Medicare for All is ***Not*** “Socialized Medicine”



# Thank You!

Thank You for your  
participation



Thank You Hill Country  
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It has been my pleasure-

-Sarah

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