Open-ended comments:

Entry ID: 3 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

JAMA, NEJM, Ann Intern Med, and other prestigious publications have been constantly publishing articles biased toward single payer for decades. Doctors repeat the term "single payer" thoughtlessly without knowing what it really means.

Entry ID: 8 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

It would mean he end of medicne as we knownit

Entry ID: 12 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Everyone loves benefits, but no one likes paying the bill. This is a very old story.

Entry ID: 23 Occupation: physician Specialty: Podiatry Age: 50 or over

Single payer is a disaster. Just look at Medicare which is in effect a single payor and if one is really sick in the countries that have single payor do not fare well. There are many other reasons for which I do not have time to go into right now.

Entry ID: **25** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I would change professions rather than become a government employee providing ONLY that which is "Good enough for Government work".

Entry ID: 30 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

The last decade has decimated medicine.

Entry ID: 36 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 30-49

I myself have left the insurance-based medical market and moved to a direct-pay practice, and things have never been better for me or my patients.

Entry ID: **37** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **40-49**

I want the health insurance companies to have rules in place even if it has to be regulated by law that they can't overcharge patients for medically necessary tests, surgeries, treatments, medications so they can feel better. the reason why hospitals and doctors have to charge more to self pays is because they get crap reimbursements from the insurance companies. if they played fairly, instead of being greedy and all about profit and screwing sick patients over, we wouldn't be in this mess.

Entry ID: 43 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We're smart enough to do better. Let's get the MD's to stop blockinng what the world already has shown is a better path

Entry ID: 45 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Healthcare is not a right. People need to take responsibilty for their own health and not rely on the corrupt government to take care of them. If health car is a priotiy in your life then take care of it yourself. It is not my responsibility to take car of you or your kids.

Entry ID: 48 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I prefer a hybrid system where the federal government pays for nationally recommended preventive care for all, and provides reinsurance for catastrophic expenses by commercial insurance plans that provide "sick" care for patients. The federal government also needs to help people with subsidies when those people cannot afford health insurance.

Entry ID: 50 Occupation: physician Specialty: Hand surgery Age: 50 or over

I have many Swedish friends and colleagues who have suffered under their system

Entry ID: 55 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 30-49

I head a PHO in rural Texas and no one here (hospital or provider) is in favor of this.

Entry ID: **56** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Have they read what a disaster single pay is England?

Entry ID: 64 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesia Age: 40-49

Single payer = Career change.

Entry ID: 65 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I rarely use medical services for everything as I have taken charge of my health through a healthy lifestyle. I do not agree that having insurance is equal to health because often people use insurance/medical/emergency services when they don't need to. I would prefer single-pay and if not, then go back to the way insurance was before Obamacare... affordable!

Entry ID: 66 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Canadian system doctors jumping ship with single payer. Benevolent overlord who giveth can taketh away!!

Entry ID: 73 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

This country already has 20 plus trillion dollars of debt and based on numbers generated on the approach from an unnamed losing Presidential Candidate this would add something in the vicinity of 34 more trillion dollars. All you have to do is look how well medicare works which is not real well due to complete intrusion by the Federal Government wanting to control our lives. Does not work we need less Fed Gov intrusion.

Entry ID: 74 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The present healthcare system is not working and has placed the work burden on physicians. Medical decision-making has been put into the hands of hospital and insurance administrators, and the American public is suffering health-wise and financially. Instead of the monies going into care, it is going into profit for these executive.

Entry ID: 77 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The strategy for getting to single payer should be done in steps -- let people over 50 buy-in to Medicare. Make Medicare an option on exchanges - start where no options and where only one option available. Overcoming health insurance lobby may be insurmountable.

Entry ID: 78 Occupation: physician Specialty: Urology Age: 50 or over

Single payer will reenforce a multi tier system of medical delivery. As in the countries who have it individuals with means will seek first class care out of the system

Entry ID: **79** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Medical care should be between 2 people, the patient and the doctor!! Government does not belong in medicine! "Health" insurance should cover hospitalization only, not routine office visits.

Entry ID: 88 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology Age: 50 or over

I spent 30 years in Europe. Do not want to go back in time.

Entry ID: 93 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

Have one set of rules but allow multiple insurance companies to provide the service. Have on policy for single, one for single + spouse, and one for family. Same fees, same formularies, same set of rules. No negotiating fees---take it or leave it.

Entry ID: 98 Occupation: physician Specialty: Vascular medicine Age: 50 or over

i am not sure about this. I have no issues with medicare and dont have to fight with medical directors to get procedures approved. For that lack of headache, i get paid 25-50% less than regular insurance. In the end, we will take profit away from the insurance companies and turn it into government waste.

Entry ID: 99 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Government can't do anything right; all bureaucracies become too large and unmanageable, full of fraud and abuse, mismanagement, with no accountability. Look at Medicare and the VA. Very bad idea, with patients and physicians the ultimate losers.

Entry ID: 101 Occupation: physician Specialty: OB/GYN Age: 50 or over

CMS is a bureaucratic fiasco. To have the feds in control of the entire thing would be infinitely worse. CMS should be disbanded. Healthcare should be done by the states, they are far less likely to screw it up then the federal government.

Entry ID: 107 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am not a physician but taught them as professor of Biochemistry.

Entry ID: **114** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **oseopathic manipulative medicine, homeopathic medicine** Age: **50 or over**

I don't need a survey to tell you how I feel. Just like a log and support AAPS speaks enough for the topic

Entry ID: 115 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am in favor of private, individual medical care. Single-payer would further destroy that market. Private enterprise is based on free market competition. Once government enters that marketplace, it is no longer a free market.

Entry ID: 117 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I personally believe we need to do away with all insurance as all it did is create more problems in the medical field - requiring more office personnel and removing the patient/doctor relationship. NO MORE COMPUTER DURING OFFICE VISIT.

Entry ID: 119 Occupation: physician Specialty: ER Age: 50 or over

Democrats suck & RINOs are close behind. Anal, if U like!! Obumbacare is a democrat disgrace; in the Pig Sty where they both belong with the RINOs feeding them.

Entry ID: 127 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I worked in the medical profession for 40 yes. Our healthcare system is broken. What has happened to heathcare under Obamacare is an American tragedy.

Entry ID: **128** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I FEEL THAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO SHOP OVER STATE LINES FOR THE BEST PRICES AT ALL AGES. JUST LIKE WE DO WITH AUTOS. I DO NOT FEEL THAT BIG PHARMA AND GOV'T SHOULD BE INVOLVED WITH A DOCTOR AND PATIENT. WHEN THERE IS COMPETITION, IT MAKES IT BETTER. SINCE SR. CITIZENS HAVE

TO PAY MEDICARE AND ALSO A HOSPITAL PLAN, IT WOULD BE BETTER TO JUST GET A PLAN THAT YOU FEEL WOULD BENEFIT YOU INDIVIDUAL LIFESTYLE.

Entry ID: **135** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Addiction Medicine/MRO/Family Practice** Age: **50 or over**

The majority of "my colleagues" are economic morons who know nothing about economics or how to handle money.

Entry ID: 139 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Single-payer will cause my practice to go bankrupt

Entry ID: **140** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Practiced and boarded in Family Practice and Diagnostic Radiology** Age: **50 or over**

It seems that there is no understanding of the difference between 'insurance' and care.

Entry ID: **141** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

1st career RN. Well educated life-extentionist. Age 72; no life-threatening degenerative/dysfunctional conditions, the prevention of which is not promoted by most of health-provider community. How much of this is bc treatment provides more income for them.

Entry ID: 143 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology Age: 50 or over

30 yrs in private practice....at least have OPTION of single payor vs free market medicine, like Brits and Cannucks have! Even "Red "China has private pay for the rich..

Entry ID: **146** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payer would provide us with inferior healthcare for all. Advancement in new procedures and medicines would stop. It would be a total disaster

Entry ID: 155 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Federal government makes decisions about who gets care, what kind and when, if at all for you and your family. Recent example in England when a baby's parents could not get permission to have her treated in the US and wouldn't allow them to take her home to die.

Entry ID: **156** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

People want security more than they do freedom.

Entry ID: 160 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurologist Age: 40-49

Single Payer would make access impossible to many specialists in our underserved area. Employed specialists work hard not to see patients because they are already salaried. People still require specialists due to the human condition. This will push my more patients to private practice/private pay clinics. If we are going to assure access to health care shouldn't we first assure access to food/clean water/shelter?

Entry ID: 162 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We should separate accident insurance from illness insurance. Insurance should be voluntary.

Entry ID: 169 Occupation: physician Specialty: Allergy-Immunology Age: 50 or over

My reasons as stated above (omitting the govt pay box please note!) -- now surpsss my career long vehemence against such. Have tired of the whole bureaucracy and greed-tinged health insurance co behaviors -- never was against he ACA out of any love for them and now they've turned me off totally to anything having to do with them being involved any further at all! It's become an absurdity

Entry ID: 173 Occupation: physician Specialty: retired radiologist Age: 50 or over

The cost of a "single payer" would be far beyond any projection now put to the public. The caliber of prospective recruits to medical school would be even worse than currently.

Entry ID: 175 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

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Entry ID: 177 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer is government ownership of physicians, who will be slave labor under that system.

Entry ID: 178 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am strongly opposed to socialized medicine. We need local health care and choices that will meet the needs of individuals.

Entry ID: **179** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The core of the problem is that we have strayed far from God's design of freedom and responsibility through the jurisdictions of the individual, family, church and governing authorities, all balancing each other with specific limitations from and responsibilities to King Jesus!

Entry ID: 182 Occupation: physician Specialty: Surgery Age: 50 or over

Good luck.

Entry ID: **186** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Heathcare is NOT a right. It is a commodity that must be paid for by those who use it. I do not want communist heathcare degrading our healthcare do to government controlled rationing.

Entry ID: 188 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic, Reconstructive, Hand Age: 50 or over

I am so damned fed up with all of it I will retire as soon as I am able.

Entry ID: 192 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It is shocking to me that some physicians are telling me they are in favor of single payer! I cannot understand the mindset of these clueless individuals. On Gastrointerologist actually told me he believes that government healthcare is a "right" and believes that the Canadian healthcare system is "good"! Another one- a female Gynecologist, to whom I went for many years, said she wanted complete government control of healthcare and liked IPAB!! I haven't gone to her since. A third physician, a brilliant ENT guy, told me he voted for Obama twice and also believes in government run health care! It is impossible for me to understand these doctor's mindset. These are but a few instances, but I have brought the conversation up to many others, who believe the same thing! How does one go about educating these uninformed idiots?? It is so frustrating! My father was an Internist who, during the push for socialized medicine in the 80's said, if we ever got government -run healthcare, it would be the end of health care. He knew, (as did President Ronald Reagan), and because of him, I now carry the torch to try to educate people on the dangers of that horribly dangerous system. Carol Fox

Entry ID: **194** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Get a grip on fraud in Medicad. We can afford to help people who cannot (not will not) help themselves.

Entry ID: 195 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

After working for 45 yrs as a Clinical Laboratory Scientist, and privately studying nutrition since college, I have seen some terrible corruption in Big Pharma, the chemical industry, and our Congress. I don't want anyone in government overseeing my health-care.

Entry ID: **210** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Otolaryngology** Age: **50 or over**

Physicians in favor of single payer don't understand free market medicine. They are used to being salaried and to some degree suffer from Stockholm syndrome.

Entry ID: **219** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

Going back to the passing of Medicare Act Doctors like Dr Ed Annis warned the republicans that 3rd party, private or government run will distort the market and will lose the argument. Of course the republicans believe that allowing the insurance industry to run the system is a true free market. The utter incompetence of these neocons has gotten us to this point and therefore have lost the argument.

We need to get both the government and the insurance companies out of health care. The best way to do this is a single payor nonprofit owned and run by physicians. All physicians would belong and be in charge of administrating all the care. This would be the only insurance accepted. This does away with medicare, medicade and all private insurance as exist today. There would be a standard national fee schedule that payments and insurance premiums would be based. Premiums could be paid by the government of behalf of groups of individuals based on whatever criteria they want or by employers or by individuals. I predict current costs would immediately be cut in half.

Entry ID: 233 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thank you

Entry ID: 236 Occupation: physician Specialty: Emergency Medicine Age: 50 or over

Resist Socialism

Entry ID: 240 Occupation: physician Specialty: radiology Age: 50 or over

With-- SINGLE PAYOR--the entity [in this case the government and politicians] paying the bill will determine what is purchased i.e. your health care not your doctor!! Only look at Canada or England to see the disasters of socialized medicine! People cross the Canadian border to come to the United States of America for medical care because of the wait time or lack of availability. Remember the saying "once the populous finds its way to the treasury, collapse of the democracy is not far behind".

Entry ID: **242** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

'single payer' would be a dooms-day scenario for the people of our country!

Entry ID: 243 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pulmonary Disease Age: 50 or over

Single Payer= Communism.

Entry ID: **245** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Less government control is needed. Single payer is going the wrong way. Besides that, it doesn't work.

Entry ID: **246** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Government control of our healthcare equals complete control of each and every persons life. Our individual liberties will be confiscated by an intrusive all powerful government.

Entry ID: **247** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Ortho surgery** Age: **50 or over**

All are broke. Need new type of health care system....funded for US CITIZENS only.

Entry ID: 252 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The federal government has no ethical or constitutional authority to practice medicine without a license. They've criminalized the practice of medicine, also, with their punitive enforcement statutes. Healthcare is not a right, it's a privelege, responsibility, and commodity. And until a naive public understands this along with the precept that "insurance" is not the indeminification of every little expense and contingency, there will never be health care reform in this entitlement-focused nation and culture.

Entry ID: **257** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payer has never worked well. Socialized medicine countries are struggling to pay for these systems because the lack of competition undermines incentive for the 1 payer to be efficient. Meanwhile the quality is poor for patients, because it is a one size fits all system that determines coverage and benefits based on collectively bargained agreements where diseases and treatments that qualify for reimbursement are driven by political power and agenda, rather than needs of the patient. Other socialized medicine countries with single payer systems are trying to diversify to get other payers into their markets because the burdensome costs and lack of coverage.

Entry ID: **264** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **40-49**

Healthcare is broken, but the only thing that will fix it is to open it back up to pure capitalism and let people buy insurance from anywhere in the country. Have the insurance companies compete openly for our business.

Entry ID: 267 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

History has shown that collectivism provides for the lowest common denominator. If you like the idea of socialized medicine, then go to canada, cuba, venezuela, england, or italy's government system for your own health care and then tell me you want that for yourself & your family. In many cases it will cost you your life & your longevity & your loved ones! Dr. M. De Luca, M.D.

Entry ID: **268** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Anesthesiology, Pain Management, Sleep Medicine, Palliative Medicine** Age: **50 or over**

Keep fighting the fight.

Entry ID: 269 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thank you

Entry ID: 276 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatric Endocrinologist Age: 50 or over

Simple Health Care Reform: 1. Give patients back their money 2. Get the hell out of the way

Entry ID: 278 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 40-49

As a veterinarian I see how a true free market health care system works. Health care and pet health care isn't a right. That's not to say we aren't compassionate but when people are paying for services because

they actually know the costs, they have an investment Aka skin in the game. They can make decisions on price, quality,the bedside manner of their doctors etc.

Entry ID: **280** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I'm in the VA system currently. How many more will die to satisfy bureaucrats? Need I say anything else..

Entry ID: 281 Occupation: physician Specialty: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Age: 50 or over

Everyone wants to eat steak but only pay for a hot dog.

Entry ID: **297** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Look at the VA. A total mess. Try 6 months for physical therapy. 2 months for crutches. 6 weeks to see your primary care physician.

Entry ID: **301** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

No single payer! Kill Obama care. Open free market competition

Entry ID: 306 Occupation: physician Specialty: Radiology Age: 50 or over

Rrsearch shows people must be invested and pay something. Politicians have made care a new right of citizens for votes. Popular vote will vote themselves care if the are deluded it cost them less.

Entry ID: 308 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I would only like single payer if it was not the government :)

Entry ID: **311** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **hospital-based pathologist for 42 years** Age: **50 or over**

I hear rare extremely intelligent physicians in my own age favor single payor...I have no idea why. If we are going to keep so many fee-for-service lawyers in our society, then we need a free-as-we-can-reasonably-make-it market so that a physicians income grows by his/her productivity. We ALSO desperately need a society mindset where people are not programed to race to the doctor for the slightest thing. I doubt much hope for that!

Entry ID: 315 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The only good thing about Medicare is it it is easy to deal with. That is a considerable advantage over commercial payers. But the only single payer solution that really is worthwhile is with the patient as the single payer

Entry ID: **320** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ortho** Age: **50 or over**

Only single payer - government - like Canada would be the worst. A "single payer" like Switzerland (especially) and most European countries where alternative and complimentary private insurance exists would be ideal

Entry ID: 322 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

With insurance covering things I don't need, putting them on my policy is ridiculous. We should buy our own coverage for only what we want in a competitive market, allowing companies cross state lines & decide how they can compete for business. Insurances should not be able to decide what a medical procedure should cost. Allow patients to work directly with patients to get the best price & go to doctors of their choice. Costs could reflect the skill & attention you get from physicians. If some want a basic plan without bells & whistles, choose that, if some want a Cadillac plan, choose that, or just choose catastrophic coverage. It's like choosing your seats on the airplane. Some want 1st class & pay for it, others main cabin. Everyone gets to their destination but have more or fewer perks.

Entry ID: **323** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

No choice is the word that applies to single payer. I'm not wealthy but pay cash for some medical services and all of my prescriptions. I opted out of Medicare prescription drug coverage because the deduction from my social security check was three times the actual monthly cost of my meds.

Entry ID: 330 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Single Payer sounds good, just like Healthcare for all sounds good. What worries me is the behind the scenes secret deals that make physicians life hell. Fewer people controlling more people is worrisome as incompetent decisions get made by those non clinicians with huge control and are insulated from the complexities of delivery of healthcare.

Entry ID: **333** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Forced legislation meant to harm America. Obama should be jailed along with Gruber and the other architects of this designed to fail plan to destroy American healthcare.

Entry ID: **337** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It's bullshit and it doesn't work. I know... I lived in both Europe and Canada for many years. It's a disaster

Entry ID: **338** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Cardiology (Preventive, Non-Invasive & Interventional)**, **same for all of Internal Medicine, Surgery, Cancer prevention, etc.** Age: **50 or over**

Historically nations ALWAYS self-destruct, commonly driven by their own government (govern means "to Rule") and present human nature; https://goo.gl/yP1UU5 combined with erosion of basic education, culture/entitlement without learning from the same issues from the past. How many US citizens have ever read or thought about the US Constitution in elementary school (it was/is written for humans at these age levels), all issues which The American Form Of Government: http://goo.gl/MyrNh1 we designed to address. Many say capitalism is about greed. Wrong? Humans are about greed; capitalism

controls greed, human have to work (supplying services others want) to satisfy their desires/greed. Capitalism controls greed.

Entry ID: **341** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The smallest minority on earth is the individual.-Ayn Rand.

Entry ID: **343** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Socialism of any type has never worked in any Nation, it always leads to that same sucking sound that Mr. Ross Perot who ran for president back in 1992, was speaking about. A Free market is best because it allows for open and fair competition between all the players and or Insurance Companies, The working classes cannot be taxed to pay for the poor, however the Wealthy and their corporations with the Working classes can all help support the poor and retired and or disabled. Social Security' is far from being a Perfect System, However is the economy is strong and at least 60% of the population is working and paying fair taxes combined with big business, Prosperity for all of Our American Citizens is almost always Guaranteed. The main problems we face is with Illegal immigration and the welfare paying for Non Citizens' And Lazy Entitled Americans, that have been living on Welfare since birth. The United States' Is By Far The Greatest Nation On Earth All we need do' is stop the allowing The Communism and Socialism, Push to Create More Jobs, Make Our Economy Grow by ramping up the Production of American Manufacturing. Donald Trump Knows this MAGA. Sincerely: George Arthur Veghte For Questions or Comments> chronose@hotmail.com

Entry ID: 352 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

If physicians are concerned about long wait times for appointments and decreased face to face time with patients, then they cannot favor single payer medical financing.

Entry ID: 355 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Single payer will fail, it's just a matter of when. The longer we wait, the more painful it will be. Better to be proactive and take control now. The solution should include a legally recognized option for doctor-patient interaction without middlemen.

Entry ID: **356** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

As a Traditional Naturopathic Doctor, the whole medical system needs a massive colonic.

Entry ID: **363** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Everything government touches outside of constitutional limited responsibilities withers and dies.

Entry ID: **366** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

If people will just look at what happens with Canada, England and other socialized medicine countries, they received the fallacy of this type of program. Worst thing that this country could Institute.

Entry ID: 367 Occupation: physician Specialty: Urogynecology Age: 40-49

Except for massive bargaining ability by the government (strong handed negotiation techniques and a monopoly), handing our taxes over to our government to redistribute to others is a waste of time and money and full of fraud and waste.

Entry ID: 368 Occupation: physician Specialty: pediatrics Age: 50 or over

massive amount of money wasted on insurance companies

Entry ID: 374 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

This is why i am not a member of AARP. You supported ACA even though the people did not want it. The only reason why they want it now is because they've been sold on the idea that it's free when it's not. people pay.

Entry ID: 376 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedics Age: 50 or over

Open Medicare to compete with private insurance so if BCBS is charging about \$2000 per month for a family, then Medicare could charge something like \$1800 but need based based on income. Families can choose between Medicare option and private insurance as it is now. Veterans get 5% off of monthly premium for every year they serve so in 20 years it is free. States can move Medicaid patients to Medicare and free up state money for other purposes. Once enough families on Medicare, the program is solvent and payroll deductions can cease or be reduced. Insurance companies can still sell supplemental insurance to Medicare as well.

Entry ID: 378 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I worked in the Canadian system for 13 years. It is a dystopian system that makes the people subservient and beholden to the government. Government health care is incompatible with the American founding values of a right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness". Once the people are at ease with the government determining what amount and quality of healthcare that they are allowed to have, the values of the American Revolution will be lost!

Entry ID: 384 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology, Movement Disorders Age: 40-49

I believe we already operate in a democratically manipulated fascist/socialist healthcare system that benefits primarily those who collude and financially support a corrupt and increasingly unconstitutional government.

Entry ID: 385 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Medicare/Medicaid, managed care and ERISSA, ACA intentionally designed to fail as a way of moving towards a single payer (like the flagship, dysfunctional VA)

Entry ID: **390** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I am a non-medical person, but I worked in healthcare IT for over 18 years, and always follow this issue. I met AAPS in Washington, DC during the 2015 Exempt America From Obamacare rally. I am a Tea Party patriot, and despise this Marxist lean our country has taken on.

Entry ID: **398** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Just get our Insurance back and quit messing it all up.

Entry ID: 401 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We need health savings accounts, insurance that goes with the individual, rewards for those who live healthy and penalties for those who chose unhealthy life style.

Entry ID: 404 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Nobody wants a single payor for their food , house, clothes , car , school or basically anything etc etc etc ... they want options , free market , choices ... it's just the same main stream liberal media Marxism socialism will fix everything and everybody bs narrative

Entry ID: 407 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 30-49

Keep fighting the good fight. Thanks you.

Entry ID: 408 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We all know that government intervention over the past 60 days has led to a total meltdown in our medical system (Medicare, Medicaid, EMTALA, Obamacare, EHR's, etc). I was born in 1959 to a moderate income family, one of 5 kids. In the early days my parents struggled but we always had doctor care when needed. The doctor had there office in their homes (no office rental fees). Soemtimes there was no office staff or just one nurse or receptionist. No medical billers - we paid them and most only had Major Medical/hospitalization coverage (catastrophic insurance). If a procedure was covered under our insurance, we submitted the forms, not the doctors. Children had some wellness visits after birth, but they did not have to go every month for shots (way too many vaccines being administered today). Customer service was 100 times better than today. What happened to the truly poor? Did they die on the streets unattended? Absolutely not. If they went to a private hospital and they did not have insurance and they were "critical", they did not die on a gurney waiting for transport to County. They were stabilized and only transported to County when safe to do so. But County hospitals took the poor and the residents of the county paid for that care through property taxation. Free and low cost clinics handled routine sicknesses for the poor. Frivolous lawsuits did not ocurr in the volumes today because most people had high morals and were honest and we had less ambulance chasing lawyers. I'll bet if you do the calculations, regular doctors, made more money back then in constant dollars. Doctors thinking out of the box were respected not hunted down and thrown in jail. It is time to tell the stories of the 50's and 60's, before this history is re-written and changed. Back then we did not have an explosion of cancer and chronic diseases. If vaccines are so safe and wonderful and can't be harmful to us, If GMO's and processed foods are so safe and wonderful and can't be harmful to us, If pesticides are so safe and can't be harmful to us, If RF radiation and fields are so safe and can't be harmful to us, If all our "wonder-drug" pharmaceuticals are so safe and can't be harmful to us, If fluoride is the greatest

invention and so safe and can't be harmful to us, If these previously non-existent persistent contrails we see today are not really chemtrails, Add the ones I missed. My point is that if everything we added to our environment as "miracles" and "technological wonders and advancements" are so safe and that is what has changed - why are we all so sick? Healthcare costs so much, not because it is not "single-payer" but because we are having too many "well" visits, too many procedures, too many drugs that make us sicker, etc. It is time to end this cycle of sickness and wake up!

Entry ID: 412 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesia/Pain Medicine Age: 50 or over

Single payer in the US would likely take the form US insurance companies acting as administrators for government funded medicine. Taxpayers would be forced to subsidize (socialize) the losses so that insurance companies could make profits. Politicians like this situation because it would mean that insurance companies would spend more money on lobbying (influence). If people object to rationing, the politicians can blame the insurance companies. This is already happening with various Medicare and Medicaid plans. This situation is the very definition of state capitalism, ie fascism. There is essentially no real competition and price discovery. Rationing is easier to implement because government has direct access and control over payments and medical information.

Entry ID: 414 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Functional Medicine Age: 30-49

Small practices would be destroyed, everyone would have to become an employed physician and lose all autonomy to survive.

Entry ID: 415 Occupation: physician Specialty: General and Thoracic Surgery Age: 50 or over

Thank you for doing this survey. Still in independent practice - trying to hang on!

Entry ID: **416** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Sad!

Entry ID: 426 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pathology Age: 50 or over

Health care is complex, and therefore there are too many milkers sucking the system and not doing work. WE need to throw those guys out. Those who provide quality work should be paid, rest out of the system

Entry ID: 430 Occupation: physician Specialty: IM/peds Age: 50 or over

I'm not a big single payer guy. It would be better probably than the current model which is the worst possible model. A dysfunctional third-party payer system and poorly designed Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement model

Entry ID: **431** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Oculoplastic & Reconstructive Surgery** Age: **50 or over**

We should go back to free market model for health care. Introduce competition and the cost of care will go down. The federal government should have no place in the field of medicine. We should have access to different insurance products or choose to pay out of pocket. We should be able to shop for products across state lines. States should determine the nature of their "safety net" for those who are unable to tend to their own health care. And by the way, many doctors have given free care to those who can not afford medical expense. I have never turned away a patient because they could not afford necessary care. Socialized medicine, single-payer models devastate the quality of care, and introduce rationing by the federal government.

Entry ID: 433 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

The government cannot even run itself and you trust it to make your life and death decisions?

Entry ID: 437 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I have found that concierge medical service might be a great alternative to traditional plans. I would prefer a local concierge service with a flat monthly fee and affordable service rates for pharmacy and lab work and carry an affordable catastrophic policy for complicated medical problems.

Entry ID: 438 Occupation: physician Specialty: PSYCH Age: 50 or over

When I was drafted into the Air Force as a doctor in 1960, I noted how little work doctors did. We were all paid equally and theoretically had equal workloads. I was very conscientious early, but noted how doctor got out of doing work. They would schedule "easy patients" to come in frequently for chats or take 3 hour lunches. They took every day of sick leave and vacation, and avoided cases with work. Doctors reached out to servicemen who could barter something. I had a hard time adjusting to this system, but I see how the VA or Medicaid could evolve as a single payor system and we would go back to the barter system. Nurses were stationed outside of doctors' offices to time them to make sure they saw their quote of patients. But the system was gamed because doctors engineered seeing easy patients, such as pimples, infected hangnails, and would avoid a complex patient like abdominal pain and weight loss. A barter system evolved and I was told that RIP "Rank has its privilege" which means that colonels and generals and their families got everything, and private and corporals waited at the end of the line, sometimes all day. I think doctors would do OK but not be very productive, in any system that is not working in medicine, at the end of the day patients suffer or die. As I knew the doctors, they were all competent caring persons, but had to resort to stuff to protect themselves from the system.

Entry ID: 440 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Cash is fair

Entry ID: 444 Occupation: physician Specialty: Emergency Medicine Age: 50 or over

Congress is in the picket of lobbyists and it is a sad day for America.

Entry ID: 445 Occupation: physician Specialty: nutritional medicine & education Age: 50 or over

make it an add on to an existing program to make it more cost effective. like medicare or medicaid to cover basic stuff.

Entry ID: 447 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The Congress needs to Repeal Obamacare with NO Replacement. The lobbyist to get out of the way so laws can be changed to make insurance cheaper

Entry ID: **455** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Clear Washington out of all progressives in power before we loose our entire constitution that made this country great

Entry ID: 457 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

ABSOLUTELY NOT WANTING 'single payer' . . . COSTS WOULD SKYROCKET ...

Entry ID: 458 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

I do support single payer - the patient.

Entry ID: 459 Occupation: physician Specialty: Gyn Age: 50 or over

How about no payer, cash, patient fills on insurance claim

Entry ID: 462 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Repeal Obamacare. Repeal HIPPA. Put back the trust between doctor and patient.

Entry ID: 464 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

Public needs to be educated to the taxes levied on countries with universal coverage and that most still have a private tier.

Entry ID: 466 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

HEALTH CARE IS NOT A RIGHT.

Entry ID: 467 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I Like Ben Carson's plan. I don't see any way to stop the wave of people who want single payor because they just don't make enough to pay their bills. It may just be too late. We needed a President like Donald Trump 3 Presidents ago!

Entry ID: 468 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

Thanks for all you do!!!

Entry ID: **473** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Free up purchasing insurance across state borders.

Entry ID: **475** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

I find it reprehensible that the topic is even brought up. The ONLY healthcare for America is "accountability" in a "free market capitalist republic. Americans need to take responsibility for themselves and the Insurance Industry needs to take into account affordability within their policies for for all types of patients whether it is high risk or low income individuals such as the creation of large groups, over states purchases, tort reform, physician's malpractice costs, etc.

Entry ID: **479** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

For questions 2 and 3, I would say "all of the above".

Entry ID: 485 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer systems always lead to rationing to control demand. Rationing always leads to corruption as "special people" jump to the head of the queue.

Entry ID: 489 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The patient should be the "single payer"

Entry ID: 492 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The government has no place in medicine. One need not look far to see the dismal effects: Cuba, NHS, Venezuela and Canada clearly demonstrate the dangers and true lack of care through rationing, lack of innovations and shortages. Only you and your physician know what is best for you, not a bureaucrat.

Entry ID: 493 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Nope, more socialist ideas and no choice of health providers.

Entry ID: 500 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Have relatives in Canada and England and their helth care systems are grossly inferior. Waiting 6 months to get a gallbladder out? Blinded by a retinal detachment during a cataract operation and then they don't call somebody to fix the retina, instead just let the patient go blind.

Entry ID: **501** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payer systems always ration care and always force one size fits all care on patients. Patients are not standard "widgets" to be treated alike on a conveyor belt. Single payer medicine is socialized

medicine, and socialism has not worked anywhere in the world where it has been tried. Socialism is a failed system that has nothing to offer other than lies and hollow promises of utopia. Socialism distributes misery among its "covered" citizens, while the politically connected elite have access to much better care.

Entry ID: 503 Occupation: physician Specialty: Osteopathic medicine Age: 50 or over

Young physicians are not taught economics, how to run a business, or experience true fee for services without insurance/ federal government involvement.

Entry ID: **504** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I lived in Italy for six years. Lived there, not vacationed. Their health system was single-payer. It was the most disgusting example of horrible, inefficient, disgustingly filthy, service. You think taxes are high in the United States, they are intolerable in Italy.

Entry ID: 506 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I did pay back time in the military medical corps. We had people come in for a cold because they could get free drugs if they had a script but had to pay \$2 in the PX. I saw a 18 mo kid sit unaccompanied in a crib on our ward for 2 weeks waiting for a CT scan while the departments squabbled over who would pay for the cost. The kid went home (by bus) without & had it done CHAMPUS as an outpatient a month after he arrived. The only way to contain costs is to have the consumer have some skin in the game. 20/80 or 10/90 coinsurance plans return the system to real cost basics. Eliminate HMO's, PPO's, EPI's & hospital owned practices & we may get back to actually having good care.

Entry ID: 511 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurologist Age: 50 or over

God help us

Entry ID: 517 Occupation: physician Specialty: HOSPITALIST Age: 50 or over

I BELIEVE THE HEALTH INSURANCE COMPANIES ARE DRIVEN BY PROFIT AND MUCH MORE LIKELY TO DECLINE PAYMENT ON FIRST BILLING. THESE SAME COMPANIES HAVE MADE IT SO DIFFICULT FOR THE SOLO OR SMALL GROUP PRACTICES TO EXIST.

Entry ID: 518 Occupation: physician Specialty: OTO Age: 50 or over

A single payer system would put health care dollars into the pockets of the parasitic subculture: bureaucrats, executives of the medical-industrial complex, and hospital administrators. It would massively increase costs while limiting healthcare delivery services.

Entry ID: 521 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Options and choice is much better than socialized medicine.

Entry ID: **522** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Get more exposure. You are the voice in the wilderness. Use TV media to your advantage. Announce you are AAPS and name those in control (congress) who listen to you. I never hear your name mentioned but some must listen to you. Thanks for all you do!

Entry ID: **524** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Moving here from Canada, I can testify to the fact that single payer is a worse-than terrible idea!!! My husband is a Chiropractor, and except for auto accident care (which is rare at our office), and Medicare (which Chiropractors sadly cannot opt out of, or he would), we are cash-based and have no plans to change. We are among the lowest in fees in our area, and he is sought out because he is not in bondage to insurance company games - he actually diagnoses and corrects what is wrong with them chiropractically! In the "single payer" system, that would not be possible, as their goals are not the same.

Entry ID: 536 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

One VA is too many.

Entry ID: **538** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I love what you do!

Entry ID: 542 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I checked "other medical professional" as I have 11 years experience in patient accounts and medical appointment management. I have seen how insurance loves to deny payments for proven treatments, such as prolotherapy, even when recommended by a physician and informed consent is given by a patient. With a single payer, this would get worse, with things like the US Preventative Services Task Force deciding what will or will not get paid by insurance (Carefirst already uses this as guidelines) even when a physician and patient decide a given procedure is necessary. And today, people are paying thousands of dollars for insurance, for little coverage. Patient centered health care needs to become the norm. It is actually cheaper for doctors and patients to negotiate a self pay rate, than to have to wait until a deductible has been met for day to day health care needs. There should be catastrophic plans to take care of inpatient or emergency needs, but again, these should be patient centered. To help drive competition, xray/MRI service centers, labs and ambulatory facilities should publish their rates for self pay patients so people can select a quality facility, knowing how much they can pay out of pocket, if they prefer to be self pay, rather than going through insurance. Then there would be better opportunities to bypass insurance all together, so that care determined medically necessary by patient and physician, is not hindered by insurance or government. I also think social workers sometimes push care that is not really needed, patients should be free to decide if they want one involved in their care, and to determine how to best manage their care by consulting with their doctor. A social worker might think a patient should be stuck in a skilled nursing facility away from loved ones, when a home health care worker might be appropriate, and allow the patient to stay in their own home, surrounded by friends.

Entry ID: 551 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

If Hell no was a choice for the question if I favored a single payer health care system that's what I would choose. The vaunted medical European health care system is why gasoline is on the order of \$9/gallon in France so they can pay for their SHITTY health care system. The government needs to get the Hell out of medicine and stay the Hell out! My question is where in the US Constitution does it say that people are entitled to paid health care and why do I have to pay for somebody else's health care

Entry ID: 554 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

There current system is ridiculous but there should be a number of easy fixes if they were only implemented such as a physician board that reviews denied treatments and prescriptions that could overturn the payer's denial and force them to authorize the medication or service

Entry ID: **557** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50** or **over**

Single payor government run system allows the monopolization of health care which will lead to price fixing, rationing, decreased quality of care and the servitude of Physicians. Patients will no longer be the center of health care, rather, money will become the focus and drive the care.

Entry ID: **558** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

What the average American does not realize is that going to single payer, basically socialized medicine, is going to have a devastating effect on several aspects of the US healthcare system. For one, and I can vouch for this as the father of a first year medical student, medicine as a career is going to become a much less attractive career for our best and brightest college graduates. The prospect of accumulating massive debt and putting in 8 or more years of training to go to work for a government clinic will deter even more young people from pursuing medicine as a career. Schools will still fill, but with whom? Also, years along with single payer, getting to see "the doctor" is going to be even less common than it is already, as cheaper, easier-to-train PA's and nurse practitioners will fill much of the void left by fewer practicing physicians. Quality of care and patient outcomes will suffer. I have no problems with PA's and NP's, but they are not MD's or DO's. Also, who is going to manage a single payer system? Who will determine how much doctors are paid, or how hard they will have to work to earn it? It will not be anything like fee-for-service, as the funding available is going to be limited. Is a corporation like Optum going to run it? Will any brand-name medications ever be approved? Will any diagnostic studies ever be authorized? As hard as it is for us to get the care to our patients that they need now, it will be even worse with single payer. I used to work in a county mental health clinic with limited resources and there were only four diagnoses we were allowed to treat: depression, bipolar, schizophrenia, and schizoaffective disorder. Not OCD, PTSD, anorexia, not panic disorder, just those four. And when clozapine became available, we had one spot per month for the whole county for one patient to start it. I also had a set number of hours to work and a set number of patients on my schedule and despite my ability to see more patients, I was not allowed to do so. Will all of America tolerate that kind of rationing of care, while the intermediaries who manage/deny care become richer and more numerous as the bureaucracy required to run a system like this consumes more of our nation's wealth, and for no benefit but to themselves and their eternal self-perpetuation? So to every utopian who yearns for single payer I say, you have no idea what the reality of what you're dreaming of is going to be if you get your wish.

Entry ID: 560 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 50 or over

ONLY single payer system i support is if the patient is the single payer. I don't believe in insurance for medical care except in catastrophic cases and even then, should be voluntary

Entry ID: 561 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesia Age: 50 or over

bureaucrats would have total control of health care and physicians will be come "school teachers" - no respect, controlled salaries, controlled medical care, no concern for non-producers-the young and old.

Entry ID: 565 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

The end of the ethical practice of medicine is in sight. Medical services will be at the direction of the state (like Nazi Germany,) decisions will be made by non-medical individuals and based on economics, politics and cronyism and pay-offs.

Entry ID: 569 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

I would be in favor of one national pharmacy benefit- drug preauthorizations are such a waste of time and resources and don't improve patient outcomes!! Also I am concerned that a national health care system would be like The VA- were patients would have a long wait times and/or no access to specialist care. Also the system is run for the benefit of the employees and not the patients.

Entry ID: 579 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Praying that God intervenes for this country to change hearts about this leftist socialist agenda that has been proven to NOT WORK anywhere it has been tried. We are in big trouble and are in grave danger of collapse in all respects. Lord, help us; we need You!

Entry ID: **582** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I want the Federal govt out of medical care; everything it does makes things worse for medical professionals and patients.

Entry ID: 583 Occupation: physician Specialty: ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

The only rational system must include the patient in a role of determining value.

Entry ID: **584** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **internal medicine** Age: **50 or over**

Love this! Well done.

Entry ID: **585** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **30-49**

I object to a "single payer" system for all four reasons, but the constitutionality trumps all.

Entry ID: **586** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

My husband, son, father & brother-laws are physicians.

Entry ID: 588 Occupation: physician Specialty: ENT Age: 50 or over

Medical technology progress is based upon insurance payment. With one payer & no competition payments would quickly go to the medicare level which is less then the cost of operating a practice or hospital. Private insurance payment is what drives the medical developments & efficiency that we have. There is no socialist model that comes close to ours.

Entry ID: 593 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I strongly oppose! It would be like a Medicare for all which is horrible, twice as much paperwork as regular insurance, restricts care, dictates how to practice medicine, rations medicine, does not allow access to many of the latest treatments, dictates what they will pay physicians with no ability for providers to negotiate fair compensation.

Entry ID: **594** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **30-49**

As an American who understands the original intent of the United States Constitution. The most important as being an American is the ability to live Freely as a individual not constrained by no other person or his or her government.

Entry ID: 595 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I believe one of the aims of Obamacare was to drive up costs to the point where an under informed public would clamor for the next step, single payer, thinking it would be cost effective.

Entry ID: 596 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 30-49

Medicare is a single payer. It is horrible. You cannot allow the government to control anything; the results will be catastrophic.

Entry ID: 600 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

Government can't run anything well. It must be cut down to size.

Entry ID: 601 Occupation: Specialty: Age: 50 or over

as I get would t older the only help I would is help to the grave yard

Entry ID: 605 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Single payor would be the worst of all worlds-a capitated system delivered by managed care companies. Both insurance companies and the government need to get out of health care.

Entry ID: 607 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I do not trust our government to run anything economically and without politics playing a part.

Entry ID: 610 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We offer privacy, complementary alternative treatments for heart disease, diabetes, digestive disease and problems, cancer treatment support and we are a cash practice.

Entry ID: 612 Occupation: physician Specialty: Allergy Age: 50 or over

Freedom of thinking will be compromised. Innovation in medicine will suffer. Only those therapies will flourish that are symptomatic and are expensive

Entry ID: 620 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer is about control, control of peoples choice. My medical care is my choice, no one else's. Congress has exempted themselves from Obama Care and the last silly bill they put up, so why are we suppose to be in favor? Give us choice, to choose any plan out there, not just what is available in the State we live in. Freedom! America is suppose to be about Freedom.

Entry ID: 626 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Do I want to be taken care of by the VA?

Entry ID: 632 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

The current system with hospital and the insurance lobbies spending \$500 million per year on lobbyists is drowning out any concerns physicians have. Until politicians are swept out of office by angry patients that cannot get care, this system is not going to improve. Politicians perceive that single payer is the only way out of the current mess. From politicians perspective more government is the solution for failed government intervention in healthcare. More intervention will only screw up the current system even more. Each successive intervention makes things worse, putting more distance between physicians and patient care.

Entry ID: 634 Occupation: physician Specialty: Emergency Medicine Age: 50 or over

A push of buying insurance across states lines would be helpful.

Entry ID: 644 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Hell NO! I refuse to participate! It's the last nail in America's coffin! It's total & complete control over us...... just like COMMON CORE EDUCATION - Total 'Universal' psychological manipulation & control over us through education. I'm serious!

Entry ID: 647 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

If I knew what "Single Payer system" meant, I would be able to answer your survey.

Entry ID: 649 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatrics, pediatric hospice. Age: 50 or over

Make insurance between the insurers and the insured. Take out doctor contracting with insurance and the employer mandates. Let patients buy insurance directly. Expand HSA and allow employers to contribute to HSA. That would be a good start to try stop the corruption in the health insurance marketplace and their lobbying efforts with government. That will trickle down to the corrupt pharmaceutical industry and their relationship with government.

Entry ID: 653 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

Single-payer places too much control in the hands of the "single-payer," leaving no alternatives if the "single-payer" refuses to pay.

Entry ID: 654 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Practice Age: 50 or over

It is only a matter of time until they get single payer.

Entry ID: 657 Occupation: physician Specialty: general surgery Age: 50 or over

Single payer system will mean government or government controlled. It will parallel the VA system which is one of the most inefficient expensive health entity in the world.

Entry ID: 659 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

Never, never, never give up!

Entry ID: 660 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

they are idiots and will ruin healthcare even more - single payer destroys the profession. its sick to watch Obamas game plan working - screw the system so we end up where we are.

Entry ID: 661 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Obamacare was/is an attempt to gain total governmental control over the populace by "owning" their healthcare. It was not even thinly disguised, knowing that millions would look at it as a wonderful freebie from their new messiah.

Entry ID: 663 Occupation: physician Specialty: urology Age: 40-49

Already have a side business going outside of medicine so that when we go single payer I can get out.

Entry ID: 676 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Obamacare was shoved down our throats by the democrats. Now the Republicans are in charge and can not or will not repeal it. We do not need a replacement, just repeal it. Who cares what the media says, them along with the DNC are socialist.

Entry ID: **679** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Natural biochemical and bio-energetic approach to healing** Age: **50 or over**

Thought at first this must be a joke! Please advise us all if >2% of AAPS members are actually in favor of tens of millions of individuals being taxed to funnel money through a "single payer" bureaucracy!

Entry ID: 681 Occupation: physician Specialty: ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Just say No to single payor. The dollar cost might be lower, but other costs would be higher--e.g. the cost of waiting for a year in pain for your total hip, or the cost of no MRI and delayed diagnosis for your brain tumor. I don't want everybody to have poor healthcare like the government provides Indian Health Health Services or the Veterans.

Entry ID: 682 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

What exactly is "single payer"? I am not familiar with any of this? And don't know what is involved.

Entry ID: 684 Occupation: physician Specialty: Peds Age: 50 or over

Retirement quickly approaching Our plate is full

Entry ID: 686 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

I grew up in socialized medicine and my parents still paid out of pocket whenever they needed anything as the "free" care was low quality and high rationing. Those who did not know better, felt anyway as if they were "cared" for and thought thy were getting the best card available as all they knew was that they were able to see a doctor

Entry ID: 696 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

VA care for all. Worked out well for our vets

Entry ID: 698 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal medicine/ psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Comments of those who remember the way it was should count double

Entry ID: **705** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Eye** Age: **50 or over**

I would favor bare bones universal coverage of citizens, with freedom to "balance bill". Market adjustment of pricing will allow transparency lower prices. But this will never happen as too many jobs are tied up in medical administration, not to be confused with "care".

Entry ID: 708 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmologist Age: 50 or over

Single payer for basic health care needs. Insurance for More

Entry ID: **719** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

A "single payer" system dictates who is treated, how they are treated, and for how long. It's expensive, unfair, and intrusive. No thank you

Entry ID: 720 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am not in favor of "single recipient" like ACO's either

Entry ID: 728 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

too many incorrectly think treatment at tax payer expense is a human "right"

Entry ID: 730 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Look at NIH, Canada, Cuba, and our very own VA!!! Do we really want that for everyone? Not for me. There is not enough paper in the world to explain all the bad consequences of single payer. I want to cry when I see people actually wanting such a system. The only hope is that this foolishness will cause a healthy black market to emerge.

Entry ID: 732 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer doesn't work in Canada or elsewhere and leads to rationing of care, and waits of several months to see a doctor. Why do Canadians who can afford it come here if their socialized medicine is so great???

Entry ID: 733 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesia, Pain Medicine Age: 50 or over

The push to single payer is absolutely outrageous, fueling by lies and ignorance. AAPS needs to fight with everything we have to prevent this debacle. Wait until patients cannot get as THR because they are "too old." Just look to Medicare as a single payer system which is broken.

Entry ID: 739 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

We must vigorously oppose federal govt intervention in medical care except where absolutely necessary for those unable to provide care for selves!

Entry ID: **743** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **PM&R** Age: **under 30**

I favor a baseline single payor system that covers MOST BASIC needs for all. Older Medscape, not much preventive care - I just do not think America wants to not treat people in need. I higher more robust plan for certain groups - disabled from spinal cord injury, MS - chronic severely disabling conditions that prevent someone from working. All citizens receive the baseline 'coverage' - if they elect to add on to that coverage with other insurance or payment system they are free to do so without penalty or oversight. They can then decide between expensive cars/cable/phone plans or health.

Entry ID: 744 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Most government monopolies must be eliminated: don't add more.

Entry ID: **750** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The government commandeering national healthcare (single payer) is dangerous to American society and is non-conforming to our Constitution. Constitutionally speaking, the government has no place in administering healthcare. To allow such a transgression is to allow the government to take yet another step in "control" of peoples' lives...which in essence is a huge step towards socialism, Marxism.

Entry ID: 751 Occupation: physician Specialty: OBGYN Age: 50 or over

So very happy to be retired

Entry ID: **753** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Dermatology** Age: **50 or over**

Supposedly the physician community is split 50:50 on this issue. AAPS should determine if this is due to an increasing number of younger physicians being polled who have had socialist indoctrination while in college and medical school.

Entry ID: **754** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Please publish he results

Entry ID: 758 Occupation: physician Specialty: radiologist Age: 50 or over

death to the american way of life

Entry ID: **761** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Single payer healthcare would impose govt control over the population...a huge step in implementation of socialism or Marxism. It would invade individual privacy. It would destroy the doctor-patient privacy privilege. It would destroy a doctor's discreet judgement for a specific medical treatment required for a specific patient.

Entry ID: **763** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payer is a lie in that it will preserve access, quality, and low cost. It will end up being low quality, inaccessible, and higher cost. The cost will be mitigated by lowering access and quality. There is NO way single payer will end well.

Entry ID: 769 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

I practice in a state that shares a border with Canada. I see at least five Canadian patients a week because the waiting list to see a specialist is over 7 months. Some of my patients drive 8 hours to see me. If we go to a system similar to the Canadian system, WHERE WILL WE GO to get timely specialty care? Mexico? Thailand?

Entry ID: **774** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It's socialism

Entry ID: 776 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Medicaid and the VA are prime examples of the problems with Single Payer. It leads to rationing and poor service quality.

Entry ID: 777 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

With the cronyism in DC, there can never be pure single payer in the US- I'm no fan of it anywhere but here the big businesses would get their 'share' as preferred vendors ie labs, drugs etc..and the patients and the doctors would be put out to pasture, it would destroy freedom of choice, innovation and advances in medical care, thank you for asking and thanks for all you are doing at AAPS

Entry ID: **781** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payor will complete the destruction of private medicine which began with Obamacare. Those who support this outrage have NO IDEA what the ramifications will be. Physicians must take the lead in making the public aware of the consequences of such a devastating path.

Entry ID: 782 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Hell no to single payer. There has to be better answers to heakthcare insurance.

Entry ID: 784 Occupation: Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I don't want the Government in charge of my health care. They are inefficient, careless and crooked to say the least. Government needs to get smaller not bigger. Very bad idea.

Entry ID: **788** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Obamacare was intended as the first step toward single payer. The Democrats wanted it right from the beginning but I believe they realized that there would be a public out cry. Our current Democrat politicians are not the ones who supported Pres. Kennedy, these people are Socialists and all that entails. They are not looking out for the best interests of America and the citizens who live here.

Entry ID: 789 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Let's not ruin the best heath care in the world.

Entry ID: 790 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Will bankrupt the country.

Entry ID: **795** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Otolaryngology** Age: **50 or over**

It is so unfortunate that American Medicine has been taken over by the Government/the not for profit hospitals and the insurance companies. It is essentially impossible for a physician to interact with a patient and not be interupted/proceed with the the agreed upon treatment paln and not have to make adjustments due to prior authorizations/government regulations. etc..

Entry ID: 798 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

Managed Care is a scam which rewards hospitals, insurance companies, and drug and device companies not patients and not doctors.

Entry ID: **799** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

If you think we don't ALREADY have 'single payer' you are out of your cotton picking minds! You WANT abuse? TRY: MEDICARE MEDICAID TRICARE ALL ARE ABUSERS OF PATIENTS, PROCESSES AND A HUGE CONTRACTING MESS THAT IS COSTING LIVES AND ADVANCES IN MEDICINE. YOU are the wrong ones! YOU GAVE AWAY YOUR PROFESSION TO LIARS WHO CALL THEMSELVES "INSURANCE". YOU ARE NOW THE MOST DANGEROUS PROFESSION TO ANY WELL OR SICK HUMAN! I have ZERO health care and it's BECAUSE OF YOU NOT BECAUSE OF A SINGLE PAYER EXISTENCE OR NOT. EITHER TAKE BACK your PROFESSION or watch as your PROFESSION LOSES MORE EXPERTISE YEAR AFTER YEAR, LYING, HARMING AND KILLING PEOPLE, just like my MOTHER and FATHER who WERE BOTH CANCER VICTIMS WHO WERE DESTROYED AND NOT CARED FOR BY THE VA and MEDICAID. ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MINDS? A SURGEON IN SEATTLE IGNORED GROWING TUMORS IN MY NECK and RIB and you THINK medicine is OK??? I've been subjected to MORE ABUSE in WASHINGTON STATE where MEDICINE is ALMOST GONE FOR MOST than any other state but I don't think it's just WA state, it's the whole MEDICAL PROFESSION WHICH IS LOSING EXPERTISE AT A HORRENDOUS RATE!!! My TUMORS and PAIN TELL ME YOU ARE!

Entry ID: **806** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

As bad as the current third-party payer system is, reducing it to a single-payer (statist) system would make things even worse.

Entry ID: 807 Occupation: physician Specialty: integrative medicine Age: 50 or over

Cash system, with catastrophic insurance, the best and most efficient

Entry ID: 808 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

NO single payor! It will be the death of appropriate, patient/physician relationship and treatment. Thank you, AAPS for your diligence in pursuing this topic!...

Entry ID: 812 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

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Entry ID: **813** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

Freedom of choice in determining one's healthcare would be forever lost and the general quality of provided services would become a shadow of what we have known. Socialism is not the answer.

Entry ID: 814 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedic surgery Age: 50 or over

Bad idea for patients and physicians

Entry ID: 819 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Most people function with emotion, not reason, knowledge of history & economics, or knowledge of the facts. Americans are consumers of "stuff". They will have more money for "stuff" if healthcare is "free".

Entry ID: **827** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Why is it government's job to "fix" the dysfunction? Answer, it is not. And yet the government can mandate through "incentives" and penalties for failure to comply with their incentives, one size for all of medicine. This creates the most mediocre of care for all. Physicians would then be incentivized by the system instead of being motivated to provide quality care. I can only hope I am not penalized or jailed for running a fee for service health care private office. But because that is threatening to the government, then such a practice will likely become unlawful. I am saddened by the run to embrace single payor, socialized medicine. There will be no going back once we hit critical mass to adopt because those employed by an inept system will be told that the move to change or alter it, will jeopardize their job. The "masses" will protect their own job and livelihood and continue to support a flawed system. This action was evident in the failure of the GOP and Democrsts to reverse Obamacare. The fear was created that by not continuing to support Medicaid expanded states, then we Americans would be abandoning the poor. Facts say otheriwise. Please do all you can to further educate our politicians and forge a path through the morass of confusion and head-long rush to single payor.

Entry ID: 830 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurosurgery Age: 40-49

There should be a 2 payer system; one that is government funded and one that is private. The government funded system should be conducted in teaching hospitals. Americans should have the freedom to pursue private insurance and to see non-government-employed physicians.

Entry ID: 831 Occupation: physician Specialty: Surgery Age: 50 or over

We are inevitably headed this way as insurers exit the market. Private insurance will exist as a supplement and a two-tiered system will evolve. Americans will accept it and scream that it favors the rich. Unfortunately, they believe equal health care is a right, not a privilege, and thus all will receive a less than mediocre product if hard work in the system is not rewarded.

Entry ID: 833 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatrician Age: 50 or over

Ty for all u do

Entry ID: 834 Occupation: physician Specialty: Im Age: 50 or over

Obama care was designed to fail then say we tried and become single payor. I think we should have health savings accounts and free market payment. The government can get catastrophic coverage

Entry ID: 836 Occupation: physician Specialty: family practice Age: 50 or over

there are 3 sinle payers now medicaid, VA, and Indian health service. All are out of control costs, and patients are not satisfied

Entry ID: **841** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

If you want to die before 80 in pain, vote for single payer... We are NOT part of the European Union..... Yet...

Entry ID: 843 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer is fiscally unsustainable. It will lead to lowest common denominator care for all.

Entry ID: **850** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Dermatology** Age: **50 or over**

We already have partial single payer, and that is what is causing all of the distortions. If extended to all ("Medicare for All"), it would cause catastrophic harm to medical care.

Entry ID: **851** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **pain management** Age: **40-49**

We are screwed. Patients are going to get what they voted for. Hello "Regency Rehab", our Final Destination.

Entry ID: 852 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesia / Pain Age: 50 or over

There are major problems from our system. Single payor means the government has complete control over health care when they have shown they cannot even handle other much simpler basic services.

Entry ID: **855** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

You traitors to America need to stop listening to George Soros as your puppet master and leader. Do what's right for America and the American people. Stop lining the pockets of the billionaires, the politicians, they help insurance industry, the pharmaceutical industry and multi national and international corporations.

Entry ID: 858 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 30-39

As a medical student, I am not opting to incur \$300k in debt to become the government's slave or indentured servant. Single payer forces me to earn what others dictate is just compensation for as much work as the masses see fit. Single payer would force me to default on my student debt and forego practicing medicine in the U.S. We need for the elected officials and the citizens of our country to be able to differentiate between a right and a commodity. We should be able to differentiate between health

CARE and health INSURANCE. Otherwise, we will regress to the distorted 19th century mindset that the rights of the monitory must be infringed upon in exchange for the happiness of the majority.

Entry ID: **860** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

We were self employed providing our insurance when we were forced on Medicare I have a blood cancers d hand vart disease. Reports I receive from Medicare are so full of errors I am very concerned about fraud and the cost in correcting the errors and the constant having to file appeals. Give me back my good private insurance and it cost the tax payers nothing

Entry ID: **866** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Do not want socialized heslthcare

Entry ID: 868 Occupation: physician Specialty: ortho Age: 50 or over

Single payer would be fine if drs are paid decently what they're worth.

Entry ID: 874 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology/Epilepsy Age: 50 or over

Finally, Liability is the final insult. There can be no health care reform or decent health care without some control on the liability physicians incur and the massive, unreasonable regulations imposed by governmental (CMS) agencies (single payor plans.)

Entry ID: 881 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Let's spend the money on healthy food and active lifestyles and paying doctors to keep us healthy instead of covering up symptoms with pharmaceuticals. At 80 I take no drugs, I'm healthier than I've ever been, and I work 40 to 50 hours every week farming and marketing produce grown for high density nutrition.

Entry ID: 898 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

Let the 50 states each decide. For those who chose to have insurance under their state law, let the govt. require coverage and insurance be available across state lines and that it follow movement of insured people across state lines-- consistent with Commerce clause and Full Faith and Credit clause of Constitution. Have federal government subsidize states, as Congress shall decide.

Entry ID: 899 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Thanks for asking. Expose the biased media.

Entry ID: 906 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We need to get politics out of our health care and let the free market work.

Entry ID: 909 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology/Allergy Age: 50 or over

Will this ever EVER be heard by anyone of substance?

Entry ID: **911** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

From what I have read, it doesn't sound good to me.

Entry ID: 913 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Practice Age: 50 or over

We need Health Savings Accounts

Entry ID: 914 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Read my ebook: Single payer won't save us

Entry ID: **916** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Doctors from Canada and other countries are coming to United States for a better living. They see the rationing and asking patients to not seek treatment so that younger healthier patients can use the medical dollars. A friend's mother died of breast cancer because she was convinced that she should not have treatment for someone else to use the health care dollars.

Entry ID: 917 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

In some ways, single payer wouldn't matter. I have a traditional private practice that does not accept insurance. Whether I'm not accepting any insurance or the one true insurance makes little difference to me.

Entry ID: **919** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Some years back I ran across a group of docs who decided to review medical research, especially drug approval when the drugs they prescribed did not act as the research indicated. Eisenhower's farewell address not only indicted the military- industrial complex, it warned against government domination of science as well as scientific method is thrown under the bus and replaced by consensus of the "in-crowd."

Entry ID: **924** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The Democrat-Liberal-Socialist politicians directly benefit from Big, Expensive, Intrusive and unworkable interference in the healthcare industry!

Entry ID: 927 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 30-39

It stands out that Government Socialized Healthcare systems are called single payer when, in fact, a free market is single payer. The patient alone pays for his bills according to his needs, ability, and goals. When the Government pays we all pay...

Entry ID: 929 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 40-49

At this point, it is looking much more like its the only option. Obamacare has ruined the private market, might as well let it die.

Entry ID: 933 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

Glad I'm retired, but still concerned for our country and healthcare.

Entry ID: 936 Occupation: physician Specialty: Surgery Age: 50 or over

God help us!

Entry ID: 938 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pain management Age: 50 or over

We have many friends from Canada and Europe, they know that it is a failure.

Entry ID: 939 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I was married to a physician. The ACA is unAffordable for many citizens. My monthly premium, sponsored by the AMA, quadrupled after ObamaCare passed. America does NOT need socialized medicine.

Entry ID: **940** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

If you cannot afford your healthcare, then you are asking for charity. If anyone wants to give money to that charity, that is their choice. If anyone wants to buy into a medical expense pool, that is their choice. If anyone wants to keep their own money and pay their own bills, that is their choice. I side with personal choice. Routine infant circumcision is medical malfeasance. No disease, no diagnosis, no consent, no surgery.

Entry ID: 942 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

If the Govt. controls your Health, they control you. Communism 101

Entry ID: 943 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Government big enough to give anything also big enough to take everything.

Entry ID: 945 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We need to establish a "Health Security Account" for ever woman, child, and man who citizens of this country. This would be partially funded with a 500 dollar tax credit to each individual and allow an above the line tax deduction of 2500 dollars. This is a Health Savings Account but change the name to a Health Security Account. The rules and for use of a Health Security Account would be the same as the present Health Savings Account. Individuals should be advised to have High Deductible Health Insurance but not mandatory to receive a tax credit or tax deduction. Families may obtain a family health insurance policy

but the Health Security Account will belong to the individual. A minor or dependents account will be managed by the parent or guardian. When a minor or dependent reaches or obtains dependency the Health Security Account will be under their control.

Entry ID: **949** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

We won't get a 2nd tier until the 1st tier fails, just like the rest of the world. At that point, only those who need elective surgery or complex care will figure out the limitations...think Charlie Gard

Entry ID: 955 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

There is no such thing as "single payer"! It will be millions of payers, TAXPAYERS! The government can even run Social Security or Medicare, they can't possibly do this. It is bad enough we are still suffering under Obamacare, I don't want some politician making health decisions for me or my family.

Entry ID: 966 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

FREEDOM!!!

Entry ID: 971 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Surgery Age: 50 or over

Among the great uninformed are members of our own profession and the "Un-American" Medical Association. I preached on deaf ears for decades to the otherwise intelligencia who, to this day, insist they're putting patients' interests first by supporting a government-controlled single-payer system. As their incomes drop and their practices get engulfed and devoured by uncaring corporations who measure quality in dead presidents, dangling a bonus here and there is distraction enough to erase from their memories the real reasons they went into medicine in the first place. God help us all. - Constance Uribe, M.D.

Entry ID: 972 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I honestly believe single payer would eventually lead to death panels.

Entry ID: 984 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

look at mess in Canada. . anytime you make one person a SLAVE to pay for others in health care .. those who do not pay anything overuse and abuse system .. so those who pay get poorer quality too.. sigh

Entry ID: 985 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

All of the above

Entry ID: 986 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

People think single payor is free healthcare and better health care. They have no idea what. It will really mean to them if it comes to pass.

Entry ID: 990 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thanks. I believe there is a picture of a functional single payer healthcare delivery system in Australia, New Zealand and perhaps the Phillipines that also gives people the idea that "If they can do it then we can do it". I am curious about the choice of "Young people indoctrinated in cultural Marxism". Can you elaborate? Judy Thompson.

Entry ID: 991 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Same "model" as "public" education. A jobs program with endless supply of printed money.

Entry ID: 996 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

In the present system I find it hard to believe that anybody is dumb enough to go into primary care. With a single payer system it would be even worse.

Entry ID: 997 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer will destroy medicine and give the American people a system like that of Russia and Cuba, while the fat cats reap the profits.

Entry ID: 1001 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Destroys competition = sovjef

Entry ID: 1006 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thank you so much for continuing to connect this issue to the larger Marxist strategy --- you are the only ones making that link and I believe it is accurate.

Entry ID: 1010 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 40-49

STOP this with all you might!!!

Entry ID: 1011 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

US healthcare was the best in the world until the early 2000's. Look what has changed. The increase in oversight, increase in "extenders", have caused a decrease in quality, and increase in price.

Entry ID: 1018 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Many wise commentators predicted this was the path the DemoRat Party was headed down by passing Obamacare. The GOP does not have the brains or the guts to get rid of O'care and return medical care to sanity.

Entry ID: **1020** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

How do you over take a country with out firing a shot, promise free healthcare that's how!

Entry ID: **1022** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **under 30**

medical student

Entry ID: 1029 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am not as much concerned about who is the payer. My concern is the interference of the payer with the physician profession and work and with the patient-physician- relationship. The patient is the one who has to deal with the payer not the physician.

Entry ID: 1041 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Surgery Age: 50 or over

Thank you for all you are doing for MDs!

Entry ID: 1044 Occupation: physician Specialty: family practce Age: 50 or over

The single payer should be the patient.

Entry ID: 1046 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP/EM Age: 50 or over

Market competition is the ONLY road to better care at lower cost.

Entry ID: 1048 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

I am not totally convinced this is the best choice but we need to have vigorous dialogue and explore our options

Entry ID: 1061 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Stop single payer it will be the ruin of the medical system and make government control of medical world, we don't need the government controlling medicine.

Entry ID: 1062 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Single payer will destroy the world's great health system and make millions wait for vital services while the rich will enjoy front of the line privileges.

Entry ID: 1064 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I am a Kansas State Senator.

Entry ID: 1065 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Failed eventually everywhere it's been tried

Entry ID: 1071 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

I have experience with socialized medicine in Europe and patient care is compromised.

Entry ID: 1072 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Media is agenda driven and politicians like government dependent citizens and exercise power over them. No recourse at all other than a rebellion.

Entry ID: 1073 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Free market system without Government interference Is the best. However, I am ashamed to say that , we the physicians, have allowed, Third parties to take over the control while we kept Fighting with each other for our money and protect CPT codes. Unless and until we the physicians Protect our profession, we are doomed. K.Yogesh, MD ,FCCP 731-364-3196

Entry ID: 1077 Occupation: physician Specialty: Derm Age: 50 or over

People readily accept "you deserve it" today and are left with nothing but sensuality. We desire nothing beyond what is called "being present in the moment". Thus we bring our own destruction.

Entry ID: 1080 Occupation: physician Specialty: DPC Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

Single payer would not succeed in the US except to bankrupt the country.

Entry ID: 1082 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Check the stats in any country that has single payer and you will see what happens to "health care" as it deteriorates.

Entry ID: 1083 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Totalitarian Dictatorships always start out as claims of benevolence

Entry ID: 1085 Occupation: physician Specialty: general medicine Age: 50 or over

Historically single payer systems have resulted in reduced standards of medical care with an option for those with money and power to by pass the system. It reduces choice and restricts peoples' freedom. Confidentiality is compromised and bureaucracy is increased. Ultimately, money is diverted to administration and patients get short changed.

Entry ID: 1088 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

What about being dependent on the government for our income? We will be underpaid, devalued, and told how to practice medicine.

Entry ID: 1090 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

1. Single payer is already here, in a messy and fragmented way, thanks to EMTALA and Medicaid presumptive and retroactive eligibility and the multitude of government subsidies, mandates, and price controls. 2. Single payer (in the formal, official sense) is inevitable, unless we repeal the foregoing government interventions. 3. The solution is a combination of principled federalism (transferring existing programs and policies back to the states) and individual liberty (e.g., repealing individual mandates in Obamacare and Medicare, and permitting balance-billing in Medicare).

Entry ID: 1091 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ob/gyn Age: 50 or over

just read about the NHS in the U.K. wow terrible terrible healthcare.

Entry ID: 1092 Occupation: physician Specialty: IM Age: 50 or over

At least I'd get paid>

Entry ID: 1096 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The price of the Coronary CT sc an was approximatel \$1000.00 when reimbursed by 3rd parties. Now that they don't "pay" for it, the price is around \$100.00

Entry ID: 1097 Occupation: physician Specialty: Wellness Medicine/Family Practice Age: 50 or over

I support a two tiered approach. A safety-net government system of clinics, for those who need it and a free market system for the rest of the country. (Get rid of insurance except catastrophic)

Entry ID: 1098 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Single government payer= bad or no service at a high price with options removed. Rationing is its foundation. Many citizens do not want to face the extent to which they were deceived and are deceived by Democratic Party officials.

Entry ID: 1100 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Get rid of that lousy obamacare

Entry ID: **1101** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age:

Unless and until all anti-single payer/andi=government involvement in payment for health care focus on individual rights, their source within the individual person (See Ayn Rand), and the duty of government to protect them, it will be very difficult to reverse the present situation. A serious, practical education program is necessary to reverse it. Focus on the young Americans. The rest are too set in cement to change.

Entry ID: 1103 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic surgery Age: 50 or over

I am bearing the threshold of retirement contemplation. I have fought hard against implementation of ACA and Medicaid expansion. I am the early retirement demographic- who leaves the surgical profession I love rather than endure the oppression of another government expansion in my sector. Free market economics exist in telephone, food, and transportation sectors. People fare best when deciding things fir themselves. Why is there a Marxist narrative in our political dialectic that no longer believes that Americans should be self sufficient? My hard working patients and most of my colleagues see the outrageous abuses of government handout programs.

Entry ID: 1113 Occupation: physician Specialty: Retired Age: 50 or over

A fortune is spent on healthcare costs that doesn't provide medical care. There is absolutely no reason why the Medical Loss Ratio has to be at least 20+%. TPPs extract huge amounts to pay management, rent, and stockholders. The TPPs offer their customers "care" close to where they live (maybe) and in a reasonable period of time. That's all. We can do much better and much cheaper without middlemen.

Entry ID: 1114 Occupation: physician Specialty: Integrative Medicine Age: 50 or over

Single payer is what the collectivists wanted all along when they pushed obamacare down our throats. That was unconstitutional and they got our courts to bend the law.

Entry ID: 1116 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Big changes are needed. We should start by letting people pay for first dollar benefits, address archaic Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement and encourage innovation with HSA plans where people spend their own money and do more for better health to avoid expensive medical care.

Entry ID: 1117 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

Where has the push for HSA's across the board both public and private gone??

Entry ID: 1122 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 50 or over

Until "insurance for all" ceases to be the imagined panacea, medicine will continue to go downhill. Insurance companies have physicians, and medicine, in a vise. Medical care needs to go free market, let the consumer decide if a 600\$ medical visit is worth it, or is the same or better care for \$60 doing the job? As we all know, nothing is free, and "free" medical care via the government is NOT free.

Entry ID: 1123 Occupation: physician Specialty: Gastroenterologist Age: 50 or over

With single payer, the patient is at the mercy of unaccountable bureaucrats. The doctor patient relationship is destroyed under single payer. Patient has no advocate .

Entry ID: 1127 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Please continue to fight for a system in which decisions are between doctor and patient in a truly confidential setting, and patients are in charge of paying for their treatment (eg, health savings accounts,

appropriately subsidized for the poor, combined with catastrophic health insurance. Medicaid would be eliminated as not necessary.

Entry ID: 1129 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thanks AAPS!

Entry ID: 1131 Occupation: physician Specialty: family practice Age: 50 or over

any single payer system would come under the purview of the Federal government under the guise of patient protection. If a single payer system is so good, why not a single auto and home insurance. How about a single grocery chain, retail chain, all providing products at the "lowest" cost? Really? Do a root cause analysis of the cost of medicine, and you will find the "costs" are related more to administrative salaries, gouging of patients by drug companies, wasting of dollars on advertising, creation and management costs of "health care systems" and the list goes on and on. What is the actual cost of an MRI, lipid profile, stress test etc etc? I have been in Medicine for over forty years. When I started, office visits were seven dollars, and payed for by the patient. Insurance companies only paid for in hospital expenses. Most patient bills were under five hundred dollars at the worst. Look at today with deductibles in the thousands. There is nothing more important and sacred to a person than his health, and to have one's health held hostage by drug companies, plan administrators and a plethora of health care leeches is deplorable. To have a single payer system is to decrease the list of leeches but not the cost. We are on the road to Soylent Green my friend, and there is no stopping it... (look it up and rent the movie, my friend, if you want to see Medicine of the future ...

Entry ID: 1135 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

ACADEMIA & MSM HAVE BRAINWASHED AMERICA. READ THE CHAPTER IN THE BIG AGENDA, BY DAVID HOROWITZ---ON "NOT-FOR PROFITS". BIG GOV'T & ITS FANS ARE MUTING THE LONE RANGERS. BUT FIGHT ON, WE MUST.

Entry ID: 1136 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

An honest look at single payer will show its failure especially in a country as large as the US

Entry ID: 1137 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Medicare is not an example of a "single payer" system and this needs to be explained to the public, along with the fact that in Europe, medical education is cheaper or free and there is not the same problem with malpractice expenses. The government bureaucracy can't run the VA efficiently and effectively; how will they organize and run a system for the whole country? Patients will have no ability to contest the care decisions of the government. Also when the public hears about a doctor's income, they do not hear the number of hours worked for it which could be double or more the hours that they work at their job. "Cost effective" will mean some are too old for care and not enough patients will survive their illness to warrant an expensive treatment for that illness. The government will have access to everyone's medical record as the payer. If we can't control our health care decisions, what freedoms will really be left for us?

Entry ID: **1138** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **family medicine at a federally qualified healthcare center!** Age: **50 or over**

No person who values "Orthodox Americanism" can possibly favor the disgusting totalitarianism that IS "single payor." It is unAmerican to want it. That is the point of those who advocate it --> they hate the good that these United States of America represent. PERIOD.

Entry ID: 1139 Occupation: physician Specialty: OBG Age: 50 or over

THANKS FOR HELPING WE MD'S

Entry ID: 1141 Occupation: physician Specialty: surgery Age: 50 or over

Obliteration of the free market with transition to a single-payer model will drive up prices, decrease the quality of care, and destroy the patient-physician relationship as the market is consolidated into large healthcare conglomerates.

Entry ID: 1143 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Cut taxes and we can pay for our own medical care!

Entry ID: 1144 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiovascular Surgery Age: 50 or over

Until physicians are back in control of medicine there is little or no hope for change. The ceding of control to multiple payors and hospital conglomerates has destroyed the US healthcare system. It is dying right in front of us. The only kind thing to do is to put it out of its misery.

Entry ID: 1145 Occupation: physician Specialty: Allergy & Immunology Age: 50 or over

I strongly oppose any enterprise run by the government. Having practiced medicine in Canada, mostly in Toronto, I have first hand experience with this scourge. Before government take over, quite a few Americans used to go to Canada for treatment. Now richest Canadians about 44000 go to USA for healthcare. Government take over starts with a sugar-coated poison pill. Once it takes over, it cannot be eliminated. It is like cancer. Medicare started in 1965 with healthcare rationing. Now private insurances emulate Medicare controls, fee structure etc. Poor and indigent should be taken care of by charitable organizations and not by government. A la

Entry ID: 1146 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The only way a free market healthcare system will thrive is to remove all borders that prohibit competition across state lines. That will drive costs down and improve standards and fuel innovation.

Entry ID: 1148 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Socialist systems are utopic

Entry ID: 1165 Occupation: physician Specialty: Chiropractic physician Age: 50 or over

Euthanasia will make abortion look like a Sunday school picnic if Obamacare is not repealed. The tyranny of "the greater good" is the most despotic of all tyrannies. Hitler killed 290,000 before he started with the Jews

Entry ID: 1167 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

DECEASED - PLEASE DISCONTINUE

Entry ID: 1168 Occupation: physician Specialty: Rheumatology Age: 50 or over

I believe a single payor system is inevitable. It salves the guilt of the politician to provide 'health care for everyone' while, realistically, it provides substandard care, ripping the money out of the pockets of the middle class (in taxes) to pay for it. Hospitals will win, secondary providers will win whilst physicians and patients lose. Physicians, most of whom Already relegated to employee status, will adapt to the rationing of health care (or go mad trying to fight it. They will become complacent hourly employees. The smart ones will establish concierge practices. Oddly, one winner is likely to be the AAPS, as only this organization has truly stood up for the welfare of the physicians and their patients. Only the AAPS has provided a pathway to freedom to chose the best care for their patients and a rational, unrestricted way to pay for it. Every day I practice, I ponder following this path. Fear that the 'powers that be' will shut down my patients access to diagnostics I request on their behalf is a major concern. Ultimately, we will have a system like England, where there is 'access' for all and a private, high quality system for those who can afford it. Robert G Hylland MD, FACR. (rheumer@gmail.com)

Entry ID: 1173 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 40-49

I now work in an employer based primary care clinic based upon a DPC model -- we have a dispensary and offer labs at wholesale prices (the employer pays for all of it). the employer saves money, the patients save money, and I get to finally practice medicine without the entanglement of 3rd party payers. In fact, this year I will have more patient visits than I have ever had in my career and yet I work less, am much less stressed, and thus feel I give much better care. The third parties need to get out of the exam room. Dr. Alan Richardson, M.D. Quincy, Illinois

Entry ID: 1180 Occupation: physician Specialty: orthopedic surgery Age: 50 or over

Medical care is important, but not as important as food and water. I think the government should provide food for everybody first. And I want steak and lobster! People laugh at that idea and expect only Mac and Cheese or spam. But then why don't they realize they would not "steak and lobster" medical care!!

Entry ID: 1181 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

People think socialized medicine is the answer--that everyone would get the same healthcare. They don't realize that, as in European countries healthcare is rationed--that not all procedures are available to everyone--that some tests are not available unless you meet certain criteria, etc. It would be the end of medicine as we know it. I would ask if socialized medicine is so great, why do world leaders come to the US when they need surgery?

Entry ID: **1182** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Govt involvement increases costs 4 times with all the hands in the 'pot'

Entry ID: 1183 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

SINGLE PAYEER IS COMMUNISM

Entry ID: 1185 Occupation: physician Specialty: Sleep, pulmonary Age: 50 or over

Except for institutional care (hospital), an individual should be responsible for paying his/her bill.

Entry ID: 1186 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine/Urgent Care Age: 40-49

I've worked single payor for the majority of my career.

Entry ID: 1187 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

will be forced to retire, I will not subject myself to an overbearing government in the practice of my profession

Entry ID: 1188 Occupation: physician Specialty: IM Age: 50 or over

I retired 10 yrs ago when it became impossible to practice the best medicine

Entry ID: 1192 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

No single payer

Entry ID: 1194 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Surgery Age: 50 or over

If you like the VA you will like single payer government run healthcare system

Entry ID: 1195 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thank you for your excellent work in multiple media.

Entry ID: 1199 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

I would really like to see Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs discontinued. I would vote and contribute financially to any candidate for my State representative and senator that put an end to this unreal invasion not only of medical privacy but has reached a functional level that The U.S. FDA's continual assurance We do not regulate The Practice of Medicine may be true but is irrelevant Federal and State Legislators have changed the care of patients that worked. Patients who like their Physicians NEVER VIOLATED THE CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT, SAW THEIR DOCTOR, PAID THEIR BILLS AND HELD

GAINFUL EMPLOYMENT. NOW, WE INCREASINGLY HAVE PUBLIC OFFICIALS PRACTICING MEDICINE INDIRECTLY. THIS SURVEY IS NOT ABOUT PDMPS. THE REPEAL OF 2010 PPACA, IMPLEMENTING UNIVERSAL (SOCIALIZED MEDICINE), ANOTHER "REPLACEMENT" OR JUST REPEALING WOULD NOT ELIMINATE PDMPS and other encroachments of Health and Human Services by The Justice Department and its boss The Current ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES. I COMMEND MISSOURI SENATOR ROB SCHAAF FOR SERVING THE LAW ABIDING PATIENTS OF HIS STATE FROM THE UNAMERICAN REGULATION OF PHARMACY THAT HAS DONE THE OPPOSITE OF PROTECTING PUBLIC SAFETY.

Entry ID: **1200** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I have been a victim of socialized medicine in Canada and have witnessed the travesty of socialized medicine in Europe. America needs to go to the medical systems used in Asia. The doctors there don't get their patients hooked into the system and on pills. They promote wellness, and they heal people so they can go back to work. And they don't charge a lot of money.

Entry ID: 1201 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal medcine/Geriatrics Age: 50 or over

I have worked for the VA in the past. It was a dysfunctional and bureaucratic institution that led to poor health for our veterans. I saw too much waste, corruption, and antiquated medicine being used, a recipe for poor medical outcomes.

Entry ID: **1203** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Government has not place in healthcare at all. We need to come up with a plan that will eliminate insurance companies as well since they have no value add. Remember the days before gouging and extreme over-charges where we got a reasonable bill from the hospitals, doctors and pharmacists? We need to get back to the basics and keep the government out of the solution other than for compliance issues.....

Entry ID: 1207 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Socialism does not work. It has been proven over and over again. We are already socialized as it is. We live a socialized democracy, not truly pure capitalism. Socialism leads to rationing, poor quality of medical care and possibly communism.

Entry ID: **1212** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **GP** Age: **50 or over**

Bad idea but the system we had pre-ACA was almost as bad. Needs to be fixed by removing the government totally from it.

Entry ID: **1215** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Lived under the disastrous NHS in the UK. Nuf said.

Entry ID: 1218 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedics Age: 50 or over

Great work aapa

Entry ID: 1219 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

I don't know about "Young people are indoctrinated in cultural Marxism." I do know that many professors at major universities in the 1960s and 1970s did not understand a free market and thought that more centralized control would be better.

Entry ID: 1225 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Even 1 of my kids buys into the single payor baloney. He knows economics, but has an inexplicable affinity with a gauzy Eastern Buddhoid world view of "moderation" that somehow comprehends pot as harmless and profit in medicine as bordering on bullying. The best I can figure, it shows the power of toxic social media to overwhelm the best charter school and engineering education available. The sooner he turns 26 and has to pay off a mortgage the sooner sanity can get a toe-hold.

Entry ID: 1226 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Thank you for all the great info. and activism you do to stop our government from making us slaves.

Entry ID: 1233 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

i really don't know enough about this to give a qualified opinion. the poll just offered "yes" and "no" as options, but not "i don't know." my real answer would have been "i don't know"

Entry ID: 1235 Occupation: physician Specialty: Gynecology Age: 50 or over

Insurance companies are laws unto themselves. Each one imposing their special brand resulting in endless hoops to jump through on top of hospital and MOC requirements. But insurance companies are by far the worst.

Entry ID: **1240** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **dermatology** Age: **50 or over**

Insurance companies, hospitals, labs and drug companies are all wrapped up in determining the cost of health care. It is sad that people can't buy the amount of insurance they want or need. There already is too musch government involement in pricing health care and limiting what is covered.

Entry ID: 1249 Occupation: physician Specialty: ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Must change the curriculum in the grades 1-12, in order to have an informed electorate in a representative Democracy. Common Core is poising the minds of our youth. It MUST be done away with RIGHT NOW.

Entry ID: 1251 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I have a simple plan for American health care that would work and be affordable 989-284-2460 Don

Entry ID: 1253 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 40-49

This system may (kind of) work in Europe, where I grew up. Europeans are more used to and are able to tolerate rationing - they have a different mentality as they are more compact, less diverse societies. It is never going to work here - those who are the most fervent supporters today will be the first to riot against it if it's ever implemented tomorrow.

Entry ID: 1254 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

'Single Payer' is another theft of the language by leftist/Marxist like Obama and most of the new media. Actually, I like single payer when it means that 'the patient pays the doctor'...not through any third party like the gov't or insurance. When there is a one-to-one relationship between patient and doctor and the patient knows what procedures cost, they can make the best decisions about their health care. This should be the direction we are moving toward, not single payer meaning Uncle Sam. Whenever the government gets involved costs increase and performance decreases and health care suffers. Obamacare was a sham and a fraud from the get-go as illustrated by Prof. Jonathon Gruber's off-mike revelations, and by the biggest flim-flam of them all Barach Obama when he said numerous times "you can keep you health plan, you can keep your doctor and that the average insurance premium would drop by \$2400." This was baloney when he said, he knew it was baloney before he said it, and of course, we all know that it was a lie. I'm sure that there will be a few less RINO's in office after the fall elections for failing to support President Trump's demand that the ACA be fully repealed.

Responses to "Other reasons you object to single payer"

Entry ID: 3 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

It would destroy innovation.

Entry ID: 12 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I want my doctors to work for me, not 3rd party!

Entry ID: 14 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 30-49

The government is too corrupt to administer single payer

Entry ID: 22 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

REDUCED QUALITY CARE

Entry ID: 28 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedic surgeon Age: 40-49

It's immoral

Entry ID: 33 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family medicine Age: 40-49

Healthcare will never be solved in the USA by government intervention.

Entry ID: **34** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **40-49**

Government run programs are a disaster

Entry ID: 35 Occupation: physician Specialty: Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Age: 30-49

too much control taken away from doctors and patients. A multi-tiered system is more ideal

Entry ID: 48 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

payment by Medicaid and Medicare and CHIP are nowhere near private insurance rates; if providers are not paid fairly, patients will not have access.

Entry ID: 50 Occupation: physician Specialty: Hand surgery Age: 50 or over

Quality of care would be adversely affected

Entry ID: **54** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Care will go down and old people will suffer for others who don't take care of themselves

Entry ID: 55 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 30-49

It's bad business for providers!

Entry ID: **56** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I would not be able to stay with my long standig doctors

Entry ID: 64 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesia Age: 40-49

It will completely stifle innovation. Increase costs and Decrease productivity.

Entry ID: 67 Occupation: physician Specialty: Urology Age: 50 or over

Loss of control and compromise of patient/ physician relationship

Entry ID: **78** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Urology** Age: **50 or over**

More gov control where they have demonstrated inability to manage

Entry ID: **97** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Family med** Age: **50 or over**

Government can't e trusted with privacy or security

Entry ID: 101 Occupation: physician Specialty: OB/GYN Age: 50 or over

The Federal government can't do anything right, it will be a chaotic nightmare.

Entry ID: 103 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Just look at the VA health care! Horrible!!

Entry ID: 107 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

government must not totally control 1/6th of the economy

Entry ID: **116** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Look at the VA health care! Horrible!!!

Entry ID: 126 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine/dermatology Age: 50 or over

The government is unable to run anything efficiently

Entry ID: 129 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Lead to higher costs and system abuse

Entry ID: 136 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 40-49

It creates a governmental healthcare monopoly.

Entry ID: 140 Occupation: physician Specialty: Practiced and boarded in Family Practice and

Diagnostic Radiology Age: 50 or over

Will decrease quality of care and customer service will become even worse.

Entry ID: **141** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Coercion-based as all Gov/State

Entry ID: **146** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I want to be in control of mine and my family's healthcare, not what is mandated and allowed by the federal government

Entry ID: 148 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

It is immoral for force some folks to pay thru taxes for the health care of others -especially if they live an unhealthful lifestyle

Entry ID: 150 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

how could government with debt levels near GDP think that they could somehow create a more efficient health care system

Entry ID: 152 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

loss of personal control

Entry ID: 153 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ob Age: 50 or over

Long wait times.

Entry ID: 158 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

NO COST CONTROLS

Entry ID: 161 Occupation: physician Specialty: pediatrics Age: 50 or over

It is imoral to force folks to pay for healthcare for others especially if they live an

Entry ID: 167 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It is force.

Entry ID: 170 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurosurgery Age: 40-49

Having recently worked in Germany and experiencing first hand American patient's complaints about the treatment/conditions in German hospitals, American will never accept it. Many German hospitals are old, and patients are crammed into multisex rooms.

Entry ID: 178 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Too much government control; rationing, etc.

Entry ID: 179 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Healthcare is not the governing authorities' jurisdiction!

Entry ID: 183 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

No CHOICE

Entry ID: 188 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic, Reconstructive, Hand Age: 50 or over

Whenever bureaucracies are set up to give a service to "the people," those who actually provide the service become "the enemy of the state," as there is money enough for the bureaucrates or the doctors, not both.

Entry ID: 190 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Practice (previously ER) Age: 40-49

Look at the VA!

Entry ID: **194** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

When speaking to Canadians, they hate it.

Entry ID: 195 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I want free market healthcare, NOT SOCIALISM!!!!!

Entry ID: 198 Occupation: physician Specialty: pediatrics Age: 50 or over

I do not want beurocrats controlling medical care

Entry ID: **200** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

I don't want government to run healthcare

Entry ID: **209** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

It has had serious problems everywhere it has ben tried

Entry ID: **210** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Otolaryngology** Age: **50 or over**

It will put the independent doctor out of business and give the government and insurance companies absolute power.

Entry ID: 211 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Practice Age: 50 or over

No patient accountability

Entry ID: 212 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Should have options

Entry ID: 217 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

We need more choices, not fewer

Entry ID: 224 Occupation: physician Specialty: OBGYN Age: 50 or over

Lowest common denominator care dictated by corporate interests

Entry ID: 225 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

This would lead to NO physician autonomy and "Big-Box" generic health care where patients become a number. Say goodbye to private practice in this country!

Entry ID: **232** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

People should take responsibility for themselves, not depend on working people to pay for them.

Entry ID: 233 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

makes health care a government responsibility. Should be competitive

Entry ID: 236 Occupation: physician Specialty: Emergency Medicine Age: 50 or over

Extends government control into private sector and over patient lives.

Entry ID: 238 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Quality

Entry ID: **242** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

'death panels'

Entry ID: **244** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Single payer means that health care options would be determined based on population health statistics with little regard to needs of patient specifically. Also, elimination of competition always hurts efficiency and quality.

Entry ID: **257** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

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Entry ID: **266** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Radiation Oncology, Hospice and palliative medicine, pain medicine** Age: **50 or over**

Abuse, fraud, inefficient (look at the VA)

Entry ID: 268 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology, Pain Management, Sleep Medicine,

Palliative Medicine Age: 50 or over

It would stifle new and economically feasible opportunities.

Entry ID: **270** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

All the above and more

Entry ID: 276 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatric Endocrinologist Age: 50 or over

over utilization

Entry ID: 278 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 40-49

The doctors aren't the ones making the medical decisions

Entry ID: **279** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Surgery** Age: **50 or over**

Fraud too easy

Entry ID: 281 Occupation: physician Specialty: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Age: 50 or over

The government does everything slower, worse quality and more expensive

Entry ID: 286 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Loss of freedom of choice and loss of potential for innovation

Entry ID: 289 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

it is a misnomer - it should be called Government Run Health Care since the "single payer" is the tax payer

Entry ID: **290** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Inefficient. Breeches physician/patient relationship. Burdens and limits the freedom of the physician to treat according to his best judgment.

Entry ID: 291 Occupation: physician Specialty: surgery Age: 50 or over

steals my freedom

Entry ID: **300** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

decrease access to care

Entry ID: **301** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

no competition

Entry ID: 302 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Government should not be directly involved in healthcare.

Entry ID: 306 Occupation: physician Specialty: Radiology Age: 50 or over

Waste. Lack of citizen motivation to stay well.

Entry ID: **313** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It is a Socialist ploy

Entry ID: 318 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Both political parties would use it as leverage

Entry ID: 319 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

decrease access to care, The 'system'would cost more,less physician autonomy, more interference from third party between physician and patient

Entry ID: 322 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

too much govt intervention

Entry ID: **330** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

I'm worried increased bureacracy with all that control by one organization

Entry ID: **333** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Obamacare was designed to fail and is based on deception.

Entry ID: **334** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

doesn't solve the underlying problem of cost

Entry ID: **338** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Cardiology (Preventive, Non-Invasive & Interventional), same for all of Internal Medicine, Surgery, Cancer prevention, etc. Age: 50** or over

ALWAYS Drives costs, fraud & abuse up, quality & research down http://goo.gl/jv2V9o just as in American Indian & VA Disease Care Systems: http://goo.gl/Blh6rW

Entry ID: **342** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Government is not competent to manage

Entry ID: **344** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

It does not work

Entry ID: **348** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

It does not work

Entry ID: **351** Occupation: *physician* Specialty: *Psychiatry* Age: **50** or over

It does not work

Entry ID: 354 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Not workable

Entry ID: **355** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Anesthesiology** Age: **50 or over**

Increase in regulatory paradigm.

Entry ID: 359 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Less competition for services

Entry ID: **363** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I distorts market forces, discourages inovation and puts gov. between me and my medical personel

Entry ID: 365 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 30-49

It would crush innovation.

Entry ID: **374** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

gov't run, doesn't work. everyone has coverage but the quality of care received is severely degraded.

Entry ID: **375** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Poor medical coverage

Entry ID: **377** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **cardiology** Age: **50 or over**

docs will become beaurocrats, deterioration of medicine

Entry ID: 378 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Decreased competition for quality care. Loss of patient autonomy. Decreased quality of care. Single payer is a way of controlling one of the most important areas of a persons life.

Entry ID: 382 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

It favors central decision making versus patients making decisions about their own care

Entry ID: 384 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology, Movement Disorders Age: 40-49

It would stifle innovation and destroy the professional autonomy of physicians already under assault by institutionalized medicine

Entry ID: 385 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

lowers quality

Entry ID: 387 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

The government can't run a post office! WTF makes people think it can run healthcare?

Entry ID: **390** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It is not only unconstitutional, it is a leg of Communism.

Entry ID: 397 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 30-49

It would inject conflicts of interest

Entry ID: **401** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

reduces competition and inovatation

Entry ID: 403 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

No competition to lower prices, decreased incentive for innovations

Entry ID: 404 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Do I want to have a single car, house or anything else

Entry ID: 407 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 30-49

No one would be able to get an appointment and doctors would quit.

Entry ID: 408 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Each of us patients are unique and different circumstances exist requiring different treatment solutions. Single payer tends to treat us all alike and favor consensus treatments over the many other options that exists.

Entry ID: 416 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It would permanently destroy any vestige of a doctor/patient relationship

Entry ID: 417 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

It will decrease the quality of the Practice of Medicine

Entry ID: 433 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

Lack of competition would degrade quality and choice

Entry ID: 437 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I want my medical relationship to be with my doctor, not the government.

Entry ID: 442 Occupation: physician Specialty: Diagnostic Radiology Age: 50 or over

decreased quality of care- delayed access to care

Entry ID: 455 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Don't want government systsm

Entry ID: 456 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Loss of control in medical decision making

Entry ID: 457 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

All important: Takes away responsibility of patient from being HIS own best guardian and puts GOVERNMENT in charge.

Entry ID: **460** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Still finishing medical school; aiming for ENT** Age: **30-49**

I didn't get into medicine to become a government employee.

Entry ID: **467** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

No competition means back door deals that cost us more and provide us less.

Entry ID: 469 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internist Age: 50 or over

It is coercive and therefore immoral

Entry ID: 474 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic surgery Age: 50 or over

It will become politicized and destroy our health care system.

Entry ID: **475** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

'I already pay for everything for everyone else.

Entry ID: 490 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 30-49

Immoral

Entry ID: 497 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

monopoly

Entry ID: **500** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Anesthesiology** Age: **50 or over**

Decreased quality of care, Government Incompetent, VA is pathetic

Entry ID: 512 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

more government control of our lives

Entry ID: 518 Occupation: physician Specialty: 0TO Age: 50 or over

It puts bureaucrats in control of health care.

Entry ID: **521** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Choice is always better

Entry ID: **522** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

the cost of bureaucracy would overwhelm

Entry ID: 533 Occupation: physician Specialty: Occupational medicine Age: 50 or over

Very bad for physicians. Turns them into indentured servants.

Entry ID: 537 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

any time government involved price increases

Entry ID: 542 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

People ought to be able to structure insurance in a way that works for them. Also it would lead to fewer opportunities to have insurance as a benefit from an employer, and more regulations on which employees could get such insurance.

Entry ID: 544 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anes Age: 50 or over

Most likely fed govt would be single payer. Would be a disaster

Entry ID: **547** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

I couldn't provide the kind of care I am trained for

Entry ID: 554 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

physicians would be beholden to the government

Entry ID: 557 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

decreased quality of care, decreased physician availability, demise of the American Health care technological advances

Entry ID: 559 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedist Age: 50 or over

Increased costs

Entry ID: 564 Occupation: physician Specialty: M3 medical student Age: under 30

Leave me alone!

Entry ID: 565 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

No bargaining power for physicians

Entry ID: 571 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Deprives all of their liberty which only transparent pricing and fee for service can protect

Entry ID: **574** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

free choice/free market is superior

Entry ID: **579** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Physicians would have even more regulatory burdens than ever!

Entry ID: 581 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Destroy independence to practice medicine. A

Entry ID: **582** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Interference with patient provider relationship

Entry ID: 584 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

patients would be harmed

Entry ID: **593** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It would ruin private practice. A single giant would dictate how to practice medicine

Entry ID: **594** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **30-49**

When the government takes control of your health they take away your very liberty.

Entry ID: 600 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

VA is the best example of government run healthcare!

Entry ID: 609 Occupation: physician Specialty: family practice Age: 50 or over

compromises doctor patient relationship

Entry ID: 610 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

any medical freedom we have now would end, there would be no treatment choice.

Entry ID: 613 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Monopoly of government = tyranny

Entry ID: 614 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

Government monopolies are disasters

Entry ID: 620 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Quality of care would decrease.

Entry ID: 621 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family and Emergency medicine Age: 40-49

learned helplessness models, victimization reinforcement, . . .

Entry ID: 624 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology Age: 50 or over

"Unffordable" to the country---unsustainable

Entry ID: 625 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Decrease in well-trained physicians, increase in less qualified. Eventually run out of other people's

Entry ID: 630 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Socialism always leads to misery.

Entry ID: 632 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

I cannot get the care that my patients need authorized. This will be worse under single payer.

Entry ID: 633 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: under 30

I have seen socialized medicine in other countries and it is awful. Research and development suffer greatly.

Entry ID: 638 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology Age: 30-49

Lead to permanent socialist state

Entry ID: 646 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

We don't need a government run health care plan like the VA!

Entry ID: 649 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatrics, pediatric hospice. Age: 50 or over

Americans want what they want when they want it. It will be a cultural shift that doctors would be left in the middle of.

Entry ID: 654 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Practice Age: 50 or over

It does not work!

Entry ID: 668 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Increased delays in services/ procedures

Entry ID: 674 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

I want the best and am willing to pay for it.

Entry ID: 675 Occupation: physician Specialty: Interventional Pain Medicine Age: 50 or over

Eliminates freedom of choice for both patient and physician

Entry ID: 676 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Quality of healthcare would go down

Entry ID: 677 Occupation: physician Specialty: MD-MPH Age: 50 or over

Destruction of any remaining vestiges of freedom, liberty and ethics.

Entry ID: **680** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

longer service delivery times

Entry ID: 681 Occupation: physician Specialty: ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

would lead to poor care

Entry ID: 683 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

It does not work and leads to poor medical care.

Entry ID: 692 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

increased cost

Entry ID: 698 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal medicine/ psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Lower the standard of care

Entry ID: **704** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Not a "right" for anyone. Leads us down the road to Socialism.

Entry ID: 714 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Socialist & therefore low quality, high-priced, rationed, one-size-fits-all

Entry ID: 715 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

Even more bureaucratic control of doctors than we have already

Entry ID: 717 Occupation: physician Specialty: dermatology Age: 50 or over

it is coercive and collectivist

Entry ID: **718** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **General surgery** Age: **50 or over**

Federal government runs all programs poorly. They can't run the VA correctly so why take on something of greater magnitude

Entry ID: **719** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It would be worse than Obama-care

Entry ID: 721 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

it is not the job of government to provide healthcare

Entry ID: **722** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **40-49**

Patient care and relationships with their physicians would be compromised

Entry ID: 728 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

no freedom to choose

Entry ID: **729** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Orthopedics** Age: **50 or over**

UnAmerican

Entry ID: 730 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It is govt control.....ABSOLUTE POWER OVER LIFE AND DEATH. No one in govt is qualified for that. It is the end of individual freedom. It is monopolistic, corrupt, incompetent, political, and never ending conflict. It is positively the most ignorant co

Entry ID: 731	Occupation: <i>non-medical</i> Specialty: Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Availability?	
Entry ID: 739	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: <i>Psychiatry</i> Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Too much external control of practice	
Entry ID: 740	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: Age: <i>50 or over</i>
quality of care would go down because doctors eventually work for whoever is paying them.	
Entry ID: 741	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: Age: <i>under 30</i>
immoral	
Entry ID: 745	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: <i>Cardiology</i> Age: <i>50 or over</i>
It would increase taxes	
Entry ID: 748	Occupation: <i>non-medical</i> Specialty: Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Communism is bad	
Entry ID: 750	Occupation: <i>non-medical</i> Specialty: Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Would have the government in the position of inflicting control over patients and their doctors with potentially dangerous or immoral decisions made "for the patient" disregarding doctor to patient responsibilities and trust.	
Entry ID: 751	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: <i>OBGYN</i> Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Poor service	
Entry ID: 753	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: <i>Dermatology</i> Age: <i>50 or over</i>
It would destroy themedical profession in the U.S.	
Entry ID: 756	Occupation: <i>physician</i> Specialty: <i>Ortho surg</i> Age: <i>50 or over</i>
Lacks competition-quality suffers	

Entry ID: **758** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **radiologist** Age: **50 or over**

limited reimbursement, control over lifestyle, optimal care unobtainable

Entry ID: **761** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Would give govt control over medical decisions...and be another step in control of citizens lives.

Entry ID: **775** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Puts the government or governing board in the decision making process and allotment process instead of the private physician; promotes "algorithm" type medicine instead of individualized care.

Entry ID: 787 Occupation: physician Specialty: diagnostic radiology Age: 50 or over

It would make physicians slave to the state.

Entry ID: 789 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Inferior medical care

Entry ID: **795** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Otolaryngology** Age: **50 or over**

It takes away the rights of those that can/wish to spend their own money for certain care/additional care

Entry ID: **799** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

We have SINGLE PAYER and people are dying because DOCTORS are now ghouls instead of HEALERS who are more concerned with money then they are about anyone who is ill. I've NEVER seen so much bias, lies, harm and just plain bad medicine coming from MOST docs

Entry ID: 805 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiologist Age: 40-49

We want to trust the same government that administers the VA health care system to be entrusted with administrative oversight for all of America? No thank you

Entry ID: **806** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

The money to pay for it would be taken from me under the threat of violence by the state and I would lose control of how I wished to address my personal health care needs.

Entry ID: 808 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Puts Big Gov in between myself & my Physician who knows me and is delivering my care; treating me. HE/SHE is the one I trust, not the federal government!. Back to the free market!

Entry ID: **817** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

There is always a single payer ,the taxpayer ,it's big big govt my native Ca nada is r

Entry ID: 819 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Stop innovation. Inflexible cookbook medicine

Entry ID: 827 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Government controls a private business. The experience of government managing VA hospitals shows, in a microcosm, that life saving testing for diagnosis and treatment are delayed or not allowed wi/ such control. The Canadian socialist system is an example

Entry ID: 830 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurosurgery Age: 40-49

When doctor work for the government or a CEO of the hospital, quality of care suffers. Doctor/patient relationship would suffers. Medical innovation would also suffer. The US would no longer be the place for the best medical care.

Entry ID: **831** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Surgery** Age: **50 or over**

No competition

Entry ID: 843 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Anything outside of the norm will be considered last in ine and unaffordable.

Entry ID: 844 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

It puts some high level beaurocrat in charge of patients care

Entry ID: **855** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Socialism does not work and it will bankrupt this country and I do not want to Government printing anything.

Entry ID: **860** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Don't like that kind of control I see it morphing into straight socialized medicine

Entry ID: 869 Occupation: physician Specialty: Occupational medicine Age: 50 or over

Reduces innovation. Reduces individualization, would result in integrating work comp injuries into single payer=incentive to get disability for everything

Entry ID: **870** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It has not worked in other countries and eliminates good research

Entry ID: 874 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology/Epilepsy Age: 50 or over

Care would suffer and inevitably, some would have to be excluded

Entry ID: **881** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

It destroys the doctor /patient relationship

Entry ID: 890 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

Complete control of all medical care by the "Single Payer".

Entry ID: **891** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Urilogy** Age: **50 or over**

Bribe docs to ration care, aka 'value pay'

Entry ID: 898 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

Destroy primacy of patient-doctor. Low quality

Entry ID: **899** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

amounts to single employer; comply or else

Entry ID: 906 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

will harm the patients health

Entry ID: 907 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

rationed care

Entry ID: 909 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology/Allergy Age: 50 or over

All of the above

Entry ID: **911** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Taxpayers would be paying health costs for everyone regardless of income.

Entry ID: **919** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Single payer giver payer totalitarian power. Evidence that Europe lies about the higher true costs

Entry ID: 928 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Govt control is inefficient

Entry ID: 933 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

It denies the individual responsibility that each person has to provide their own needs. It is not a right or an entitlement. It injects a bureaucracy into the physician-patient relationship that is not appropriate or beneficial.

Entry ID: 949 Occupation: physician Specialty: ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Not an objection, but the experience from the rest of the world shows that single payer leads to a 2nd tier system of private pay when access to care becomes an issue

Entry ID: 951 Occupation: physician Specialty: neurosurgery Age: 40-49

Elimination of all control and all competition

Entry ID: 952 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Healthcare is not a proper function of governments.

Entry ID: 958 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

physicians will be downgraded in every way

Entry ID: 962 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

The quality of medical care would suffer.

Entry ID: 964 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

The quality of medical care would suffer.

Entry ID: 966 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

It would impose financial hardship on physicians and patients.

Entry ID: 970 Occupation: physician Specialty: family med Age: 50 or over

dictatorship

Entry ID: 971 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Surgery Age: 50 or over

Lead to decrease in quality of what care was given.

Entry ID: 974 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

Would stifle innovation

Entry ID: 978 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

there is no competition to help lower costs

Entry ID: 984 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

look at the VA. disaster my entire life

Entry ID: 987 Occupation: physician Specialty: Preventive and Clinacteric medicine Age: 50 or over

Delayed access to care, impersonal care, and premature death from indifference, incompetence, and negligence. All of which we have just experienced in the German single-payer system that almost cost my husband his life

Entry ID: 990 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Eliminates freedom of choice for patients and doctors

Entry ID: 993 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ob gyn Age: 50 or over

Centralized decision making has never worked well

Entry ID: 997 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It will never work if the government is running it.

Entry ID: 999 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

GOVERNMENT IS INCOMPETENT TO RUN THE HOUSE OF MEDICINE. Physicians' necks would further be placed under the heels of meddlesome, arogant bureaucrats. And Physicians would be working a docile slaves to the Government.

Entry ID: 1008 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiology Age: 50 or over

Physician income would suffer and medicine would attract less skilled students

Entry ID: 1011 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

limits competition and competition forces excellence

Entry ID: 1013 Occupation: physician Specialty: primary care/FP Age: 40-49

government monopoly

Entry ID: **1018** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

I am sick & tired of government's inept now in every aspect of my life.

Entry ID: 1032 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

came from a Socialized Country - US too large & it didn't work in my Country

Entry ID: 1037 Occupation: physician Specialty: Integrative medicine. Age: 50 or over

The government should be absolutely out of healthcare in any way shape or form! They should get their dirty hands out of insurance. Insurance needs to be out there in the free market. Pharmaceuticals need to be on the free market. Let competition decide t

Entry ID: 1042 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Give the federal too much control over medical decisions

Entry ID: 1043 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 30-39

Any program run by the government is run worse than it would be by the private sector. It becomes expensive, inefficient and quality suffers. You cannot successfully uncouple healthcare from the accountability that the free market imposes.

Entry ID: 1055 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pain Management, Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

it's a power grab; it stifles competition and choice; it's anti-free market

Entry ID: 1067 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

It would be forced upon the citizens.

Entry ID: 1072 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Would increase physician shortage.

Entry ID: 1080 Occupation: physician Specialty: DPC Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

would lead to complete loss of physician independence and government control of patient care

Entry ID: 1083 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

He who pays the fiddler, calls the tune. I know better what is best for me, not a beaurocrat.

Entry ID: 1084 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

It will remove the last vestiges of the free market from healthcare.

Entry ID: 1086 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Look at VA system as a model of the single payor failure.

Entry ID: 1088 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Look at VA system as a model of the single payor failure.

Entry ID: 1093 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP, OMM Age: 30-39

Take away physician autonomy to practice and recommend what is most appropriate for a patient. We will be pushed by the powers in charge to practice the way they dictate or else be labeled "non compliant" "poor care" etc.

Entry ID: 1098 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

It is a sham designed to deceive citizens.

Entry ID: 1099 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 40-49

Decreased options for care. Longer wait times for appointments. Overworked at healthcare provider as it is!

Entry ID: **1101** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age:

At its base, single payer violates our individual right to life, to liberty, and to keep/use/dispose of our private property

Entry ID: 1103 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic surgery Age: 50 or over

It will destroy the most amazing sector of the uS economy--medical innovation

Entry ID: 1104 Occupation: physician Specialty: GS Age: 50 or over

MD INCOME & Initiative will shackled

Entry ID: 1106 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

The State has no moral authority to involve itself in charity, insurance, or medicine

Entry ID: 1107 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

it does not work to supply all the needs of all the people. See Canada, UK, others

Entry ID: 1109 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I don't want to pay for other's health care

Entry ID: 1112 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 40-49

government control of an occupation and something very personal to every person

Entry ID: 1114 Occupation: physician Specialty: Integrative Medicine Age: 50 or over

I have no say in others habits why should I be liable for their health issues?

Entry ID: 1116 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Not workable or affordable

Entry ID: 1120 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family medicine Age: 50 or over

No competition leading to loss of options

Entry ID: 1122 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 50 or over

medicine should be free market

Entry ID: 1125 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 40-49

would force doctors into this system

Entry ID: 1126 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

it would be "one size fits all" with no flexibility for the independent judgment of the physician for his particular patient

Entry ID: 1127 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

it would be "one size fits all" with no possibility for the physician to make an independent decision about his particular patient

Entry ID: 1129 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I surrender control of my healthcare to bureaucrats and politicians. I donlt want my healthcare run like the IRS or the post office.

Entry ID: 1130 Occupation: physician Specialty: Allergy/Immunology Age: 50 or over

INEFFICIENT

Entry ID: 1136 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Quality will suffer significantly

Entry ID: 1138 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine at a federally qualified healthcare

center! Age: 50 or over

in ENSLAVES individuals to elitists and gigantic violent "government"

Entry ID: 1141 Occupation: physician Specialty: surgery Age: 50 or over

It will empower the hospital monopolies even further with higher prices and consolidation

Entry ID: 1143 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Free Market is much better than government. Get government out of our health!

Entry ID: 1146 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Destroys my ability to choose.

Entry ID: 1150 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

It's a violation of my rights. The government has no right to force me to pay for their decisions on who should get what health care.

Entry ID: 1155 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family and Sports Medicine Age: 50 or over

The single payer = government

Entry ID: 1156 Occupation: physician Specialty: NMM/OMM Age: 50 or over

The aggregate physician input (Harvard-based RVRBS) would not value my specialty of Neuromusculoskeletal Medicine/Osteopathic Manipulative Medicine adequately, but my patients know and value the difference Osteopathy practiced can make.

Entry ID: 1166 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 40-49

Quality of care would decrease

Entry ID: 1173 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 40-49

free market works better

Entry ID: 1178 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

too much government control- would be like veterans for all

Entry ID: 1180 Occupation: physician Specialty: orthopedic surgery Age: 50 or over

If the government can't perfect the VA in 90 years, how can they treat everybody with a better system. Perfect the VA then discuss single payor.

Entry ID: 1185 Occupation: physician Specialty: Sleep, pulmonary Age: 50 or over

Removes personal responsibility

Entry ID: 1188 Occupation: physician Specialty: IM Age: 50 or over

Communistic

Entry ID: 1195 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Stifles innovation and individual thought (both patient and professional).

Entry ID: 1199 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

IT'S A WASTE OF TIME DEBATING SOMETHING THAT WOULD ELIMINATE THE LIVELIHOOD OF INSURANCE COMPANIES, THEIR LOBBYISTS, ETC.

Entry ID: **1200** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Forced dependency on the government and loss of autonomy

Entry ID: **1205** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Physician-patient must not be controlled or interfered with by government

Entry ID: 1211 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

When your very life & death decisions are determined by government, how can one be considered a free person?

Entry ID: 1212 Occupation: physician Specialty: GP Age: 50 or over

The list goes on and on. Think DMV marries the US Postal Service.

Entry ID: 1213 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Medicine Age: 50 or over

Would be a freedom lost and increase of government control

Entry ID: 1218 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedics Age: 50 or over

Final step toward govt control socialism

Responses to "other reasons others favor single payer"

Entry ID: 3 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 50 or over

People think they will receive a net benedft at other people's exopense

Entry ID: 12 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Everyone loves "free stuff"

Entry ID: **22** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

IGNORANCE

Entry ID: **25** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

It ONLY provides power for the power hungry Democrats

Entry ID: **28** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Orthopedic surgeon** Age: **40-49**

It's an easy answer

Entry ID: 30 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

People think the will get quality care for little to nothing.

Entry ID: 33 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family medicine Age: 40-49

People don't understand the basics of health.

Entry ID: 35 Occupation: physician Specialty: Oculofacial Plastic Surgery Age: 30-49

Americans are lazy and will pay for things they want, but not for things that they need

Entry ID: 50 Occupation: physician Specialty: Hand surgery Age: 50 or over

It doesn't work

Entry ID: **54** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

47% of people are already on government dole so why not everybody

Entry ID: 58 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 40-49

It sounds like an attractive system, but people don't realize all the hidden costs and adverse impact on health care delivery. Single payer does not work well in Canada.

Entry ID: 97 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family med Age: 50 or over

Someone else pays

Entry ID: 107 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

the immensely-attractive false promise of near-unlimited health care for all

Entry ID: 129 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

People want free stuff

Entry ID: 140 Occupation: physician Specialty: Practiced and boarded in Family Practice and

Diagnostic Radiology Age: 50 or over

People don't consider how 'managers' isolate customer from service

Entry ID: 141 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Many unwilling to be pro-active for own good health

Entry ID: **150** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

the argument that everyone has "the right" to healthcare

Entry ID: **156** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Independence on government

Entry ID: 170 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurosurgery Age: 40-49

Misconception that single payer systems in other countries work well.

Entry ID: **179** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They think it will be free!

Entry ID: 183 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Media have convinced people that medical care cannot be purchased without a third-party payer

Entry ID: 200 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Many people believe healthcare is a right and so they should not have to pay for it. Laughable because those who pay taxes will.

Entry ID: **209** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

People want simple answers to compicated problems.

Entry ID: 211 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family Practice Age: 50 or over

They always think someone else is paying for their healthcare

Entry ID: 212 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Grass is always greener...

Entry ID: **216** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The KISS Principal usually works.

Entry ID: 234 Occupation: physician Specialty: Endocrinology Age: 50 or over

Individuals are easlity persuaded by European and Canadian models and do not look at the details.

Entry ID: **242** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

obession with health problems

Entry ID: **266** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Radiation Oncology, Hospice and palliative medicine, pain medicine** Age: **50 or over**

MDs charge to much, nobody needs that much money

Entry ID: 268 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology, Pain Management, Sleep Medicine,

Palliative Medicine Age: 50 or over

People incorrectly view healthcare as a "right".

Entry ID: **270** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

all the above

Entry ID: 272 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Americans have limited education in what insurance is

Entry ID: **276** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Pediatric Endocrinologist** Age: **50 or over**

its free

Entry ID: 281 Occupation: physician Specialty: Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Age: 50 or over

Everybody thinks they are entitled to 'free' when the government must seize from the working to give out the 'free'

Entry ID: **290** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They naively believe it will cover their needs.

Entry ID: **301** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

they are lazy

Entry ID: 306 Occupation: physician Specialty: Radiology Age: 50 or over

Liberal socialism in narrow minds.

Entry ID: **319** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **psychiatry** Age: **50 or over**

Main reason is hope and expectation from consumer that this would be less expensive for them. lack of understandin of market dynamics and forces.

Entry ID: 322 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

patients let insurance, so have no idea of the costs

Entry ID: **338** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Cardiology (Preventive, Non-Invasive & Interventional)**, **same for all of Internal Medicine**, **Surgery, Cancer prevention**, **etc.** Age: **50 or over**

Human Greed & Power over others & Money from others: https://goo.gl/yP1UU5

Entry ID: **341** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

all of the above and it's immoral.

Entry ID: 363 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

They believe they are entitled to other people's resourses and abilities.

Entry ID: 367 Occupation: physician Specialty: Urogynecology Age: 40-49

Liberals believe that government is the cure for all that ails them; I disagree and feel the opposite

Entry ID: 382 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

The current cost of care is too high. This includes the mistake of confusing health insurance and healthcare.

Entry ID: 384 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology, Movement Disorders Age: 40-49

Single payer may be better than the current corrupt collusion between government, insurance industry and institutionalized medicine who don't want to compete in a truly free market healthcare system.

Entry ID: 385 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

culture of dependency and regression

Entry ID: **390** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Fear. I have a friend who is a single Mother, and she lived in constant fear that she would not be able to have healthcare for herself and her children. She has anxieity disorder, and I can see that this is what drives some people to this Marxist ideolog

Entry ID: 397 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 30-49

Third Party System is so dysfunctional that single payer seems attractive by comparison

Entry ID: **401** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They belive free health care is an entitlement they deserve that others should pay for .

Entry ID: 408 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Americans have been "programmed" using psychiatric techniques on purpose. We no longer question and think critically. Most are perfect "Pavolov dogs" reacting to trigger words and propaganda.

Entry ID: **416** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Have we got all day?

Entry ID: **431** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Oculoplastic & Reconstructive Surgery** Age: **50 or over**

This is a simplistic notion that one type of coverage fits all Americans. FALSE!

Entry ID: 433 Occupation: physician Specialty: Internal Medicine Age: 50 or over

Increasing levels of ignorance, laziness and self-entitlement

Entry ID: **437** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Those unwilling to work, (and I know quite a few) want their healthcare to be free as well as everything else.

Entry ID: 438 Occupation: physician Specialty: PSYCH Age: 50 or over

ITS FREE

Entry ID: 442 Occupation: physician Specialty: Diagnostic Radiology Age: 50 or over

People think they'll get "free" care

Entry ID: 443 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Physicians in Canada only have to work about half the year. They can cherry pick the healthiest patients to be in their panel.

Entry ID: **456** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Large number of Americans and hospitals addicted to government handouts

Entry ID: 457 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

GOVERNMENT CONTROL OF 20 % OF ECONOMY!

Entry ID: **460** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Still finishing medical school; aiming for ENT** Age: **30-49**

They've been told it's "free" and have been given no picture of its downside.

Entry ID: 462 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Democrats want votes.

Entry ID: 475 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The "myth" that it is "free to all." The fact remains that "some" pay and others "take."

Entry ID: 500 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Because they think it will be free

Entry ID: 503 Occupation: physician Specialty: Osteopathic medicine Age: 50 or over

Entitlement mentality and propaganda in schools

Entry ID: 518 Occupation: physician Specialty: OTO Age: 50 or over

The "gimme" crowd senses another freebie.

Entry ID: **522** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They are indoctricated and/or incapable of thinking

Entry ID: 533 Occupation: physician Specialty: Occupational medicine Age: 50 or over

Folks are tempted by the thought of not having to pay for something of value. They perceive an entitlement to health care.

Entry ID: 540 Occupation: physician Specialty: anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

communist ideology

Entry ID: **557** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Populace does not understand what a single party payor system really means and affects care

Entry ID: 588 Occupation: physician Specialty: ENT Age: 50 or over

quality would drop, same as if you had one grocery store no competition breeds corruption

Entry ID: 610 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

I think the people who push this are not more in number than the actual free market patients and doctors but are made to seem to be everywhere because they get the media attention and voice.

Entry ID: 620 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Clueless. I have seen how bad England's is. Frightenig

Entry ID: 621 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family and Emergency medicine Age: 40-49

It is being conceptualized as free health care and everyone wants free

Entry ID: 630 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Many forces converge to make Americans look for a free lunch, changing American character.

Entry ID: 632 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Because they don't know any better. Also health insurers have realized they can administer such programs for the government and make even more money compared to when they actually insured patients and took on financial risk.

Entry ID: 633 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: under 30

My generation has been sold on the idea that no one should have anything they don't have - therefore, everyone's healthcare should stink!

Entry ID: 638 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology Age: 30-49

Democrats want to turn this country socialist so that they can have permanent power

Entry ID: 640 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

everyone want freebies and think that government money is free since most dont pay taxes

Entry ID: 649 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatrics, pediatric hospice. Age: 50 or over

They think it will be worry free and decision making will still be autonomous. They do not know what government inefficiency awaits but are so desperate about the current system they are prepared to take a shot at it.

Entry ID: 654 Occupation: physician Specialty: General Practice Age: 50 or over

They erroneously think someone else pays for it.

Entry ID: 674 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

The fallacy that health care is a "right"

Entry ID: 675 Occupation: physician Specialty: Interventional Pain Medicine Age: 50 or over

Cedes control of the individual's life, using the individual's earnings, to government bureacrats and politicians

Entry ID: 676 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Democrat loyalty

Entry ID: **705** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Eye** Age: **50 or over**

They see it as a way to power, rewarding their cronies.

Entry ID: **717** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **dermatology** Age: **50 or over**

single payer is described as "Medicare for all"

Entry ID: 718 Occupation: physician Specialty: General surgery Age: 50 or over

Americans have no idea of medical economics specifically

Entry ID: **730** Occupation: **other medical professional** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They don't know any better, think they are getting something for nothing. Astonishing ignorance of economics and human nature.

Entry ID: **738** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

People believe Government will always make altruistic treatment decisions.

Entry ID: 740 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Because people have absolutely no idea how a "single payer" system would work and are looking for a simplistic solution to a complex problem.

Entry ID: **748** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Dumb

Entry ID: **750** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Many people are "sensitized" to govt benefits and get a (false) sense of security, assuming the govt will take proper care of their needs.

Entry ID: **753** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Dermatology** Age: **50 or over**

Physicians who are contracted with health insurance companies are getting abused and look to Medicare as a fairer and easier payor to deal with proving that they are just plain dumb

Entry ID: 758 Occupation: physician Specialty: radiologist Age: 50 or over

no worries about paying medical bills

Entry ID: **761** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Many people are "sensitized" to govt benefits, thinking the govt can look out for their welfare and well being (which is false).

Entry ID: **763** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Americans think it is going to be free!!!!

Entry ID: **788** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

The Socialist Dems want bigger and bigger govt and one payer would add to it. Not good for patients.

Entry ID: 789 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

They mistakenly believe that a government run system would be cheaper and better

Entry ID: 795 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology Age: 50 or over

we have truly overregulated medicine to the point of complete dysfunction so the average citizen has to think that anything has to be better.

Entry ID: **799** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Because doctors allowed 'insurance' companies to take over their LIVES and their PROFESSIONS.

Entry ID: 827 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

With dysfunction, many people believe it is government's job to fix and to provide for all - what I call entitlement and socialism.

Entry ID: 830 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurosurgery Age: 40-49

People dont understand that when a doctor works for a third party there is often a conflict of interest that can have an adverse affect on the quality of health care

Entry ID: 842 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

Medicare is not the good example.

Entry ID: 843 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The perceive it to be free.

Entry ID: 874 Occupation: physician Specialty: Neurology/Epilepsy Age: 50 or over

Americans have no education in economics of chronic health care or cost of medical care AND americans believe medical care is a right, not a privilege

Entry ID: 881 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Everyone wants a free lunch

Entry ID: 898 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

They think it is "free." They like free stuff.

Entry ID: 899 Occupation: physician Specialty: Psychiatry Age: 50 or over

Because they don't think beyond stage one; they can't think through the inevitable consequences but the sound of it appeals to them.

Entry ID: 903 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

They think they will get something for nothing.

Entry ID: **904** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

They think they will get something for nothing.

Entry ID: **906** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

don't want to deal with reality

Entry ID: 909 Occupation: physician Specialty: Otolaryngology/Allergy Age: 50 or over

All of the above

Entry ID: **919** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Progressives say they care about people like you.

Entry ID: 933 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP Age: 50 or over

People are discouraged by the dysfunctional and expensive system we have devolved into and believe government can be trusted to simplify it and manage it for everyone's benefit - a serious delusion that ignores the realities of government's failures to ma

Entry ID: 938 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pain management Age: 50 or over

The VA is a classic one payer system, it is a failure.

Entry ID: **949** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

fuzzy blanket illusion of being "covered" when all evidence points to rationing by access rather than cost

Entry ID: 951 Occupation: physician Specialty: neurosurgery Age: 40-49

woeful ignorance of society

Entry ID: 959 Occupation: physician Specialty: int Med Age: 50 or over

lower overall cost to most people

Entry ID: **971** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **General Surgery** Age: **50 or over**

People ignore fact government involvement leads to increased waste and decreased quality.

Entry ID: 974 Occupation: physician Specialty: Dermatology Age: 50 or over

Many physicians are looking for the government to provide for them

Entry ID: 987 Occupation: physician Specialty: Preventive and Clinacteric medicine Age: 50 or over

They THINK it means "free care" - do you not realize that it essentially means little or no care

Entry ID: 997 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

The voters who want it think it will be free and that healthcare will remain as they know it now.

Entry ID: 1001 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Does not work

Entry ID: 1011 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 40-49

People believe that quality healthcare they are accustomed will be free. Not so!

Entry ID: 1017 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Everyone thinks its free and someone else's responsibility to pay

Entry ID: 1055 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pain Management, Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

they are socialists at heart; they are lazy to think

Entry ID: 1072 Occupation: physician Specialty: Anesthesiology Age: 50 or over

Usurped personal responsibility and thus dependence.

Entry ID: 1075 Occupation: Specialty: Age:

Religion in America has changed to promote fantasy that we "deserve"

Entry ID: 1077 Occupation: physician Specialty: Derm Age: 50 or over

Religion in America has changed to promote greed and fantasy.

Entry ID: 1083 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmology Age: 50 or over

Players with potential monetary gains lobby Congress for their own benefit w/o regard to consequences

Entry ID: 1093 Occupation: physician Specialty: FP, OMM Age: 30-39

Current system costs them out of pocket, and they believe a single payer system will be cheaper for them

Entry ID: 1101 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age:

Again, at its base, others favor single payer because they do not even know what the concept and origin of individual rights are and, thus, do not even know what the real purpose of government is: to protect individual rights. And never violate them.

Entry ID: 1103 Occupation: physician Specialty: Plastic surgery Age: 50 or over

The drum beat narrative of greedy doctors and heartless insurance companies resonates with electorate- who somehow believe the government should pay for their needs

Entry ID: 1112 Occupation: physician Specialty: internal medicine Age: 40-49

entitleism

Entry ID: 1116 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Anything looks better to people than what we have now.

Entry ID: **1126** Occupation: Specialty: Age:

they think it would be simpler to deal with than difficult insurance companies

Entry ID: 1127 Occupation: physician Specialty: psychiatry Age: 50 or over

many want to be taken care of without having to make decisions about their own treatment

Entry ID: 1129 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

People think the government cares about them, and that the government can provide free or lower cost goods and services

Entry ID: 1138 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine at a federally qualified healthcare center! Age: 50 or over

frustration with existing dysfunctional forced healthcare systems designed to cause hands to be thrown up for single payer

Entry ID: 1143 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

They don't realize how terrible it is. I have experienced it in Europe.

Entry ID: 1153 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

They just haven't thought it all the way out...

Entry ID: 1173 Occupation: physician Specialty: family medicine Age: 40-49

they want everything for free

Entry ID: 1185 Occupation: physician Specialty: Sleep, pulmonary Age: 50 or over

People get to use "other peoples money"

Entry ID: 1195 Occupation: other medical professional Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Some view liberty as a burden. It's part of the entitlement attitude: the elephant in the room.

Entry ID: 1196 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

They think that they can get high quality medical care free of charge. They unfortunately will learn that you get what you pay for. They probably will not even be able to get health insurance that covers private care outside the system as you can elsewhe

Entry ID: 1199 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 40-49

AS EXTRAORDINARILY SIMPLETON AS A LARGE ENOUGH PART OF AMERICAN SOCIETY IS BECAUSE THEY DON'T WORK IN HEALTHCARE, HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION, MEDICAL MALPLRACTICE, ETC. NEVER ENTERS THE THOUGHTS AND DIALOG OF "single payer" fans.

Entry ID: 1211 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Even though there are countless examples of government failures, far too many Americans still fall for the false promise that government can run our lives better than we can.

Entry ID: 1212 Occupation: physician Specialty: GP Age: 50 or over

It gives the Central Government think Fascism, Politburo... you name it, more power and the ruling class; i.e., rhinos and libs, more power.

Entry ID: 1218 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedics Age: 50 or over

Little faith in current ststem. One worlders. <50% of Americans pay income tax and thereby dont care about cost.

Responses to, "other reasons you favor single payer":

Entry ID: 65 Occupation: non-medical Specialty: Age: 50 or over

All of the above AND perhaps if gov't paid then room would be open for people to look at alternative, modern treatments that could cost a lot less (for example prevent heart disease instead of paying for heart surgeries)

Entry ID: 208 Occupation: physician Specialty: Age: 50 or over

Insurance companies siphon off 20-25% of the healthcare dollar

Entry ID: **215** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

Increase payer pool

Entry ID: **221** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ophthalmology** Age: **50 or over**

I favor PRIVATE single payor run by a nonprofit of physician owners like a credit union.

Entry ID: **247** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Ortho surgery** Age: **50 or over**

We can no longer afford employer based 3rd part heal care funding.

Entry ID: 265 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pathology Age: under 30

We should take care of our neighbors, no matter what their income.

Entry ID: **320** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **ortho** Age: **50 or over**

all of the above and more

Entry ID: 376 Occupation: physician Specialty: Orthopedics Age: 50 or over

Insurance companies add no value and take profit resulting in higher costs of healthcare

Entry ID: **426** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **Pathology** Age: **50 or over**

Competition in health care does not work & has never work all over thw world

Entry ID: **517** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **HOSPITALIST** Age: **50 or over**

IT IRKS ME THAT EXECS OF FOR PROFIT COMPANIES MAKE MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR BONUSES

Entry ID: **560** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: **family medicine** Age: **50 or over**

patient control

Entry ID: **580** Occupation: **physician** Specialty: Age: **50** or over

Insurance companies have taken advantage of health care for their profit. Needs of the sick are not provided.

Entry ID: 708 Occupation: physician Specialty: Ophthalmologist Age: 50 or over

We are now stuck with health care as a right

Entry ID: **976** Occupation: **non-medical** Specialty: Age: **50 or over**

it's a human right

Entry ID: 1021 Occupation: physician Specialty: Pediatrics Age: 50 or over

Decreased admin costs

Entry ID: 1033 Occupation: physician Specialty: Family medicine Age: 50 or over

Direct primary care plus single payer would be fine. We have a fee for service primary care problem in the US. Patients should pay for primary care.

Entry ID: 1144 Occupation: physician Specialty: Cardiovascular Surgery Age: 50 or over

It could destroy one part of the evil triad of government, hospital and private insurance