

New Colorado report shows we can:

*** Cover EVERY Coloradan**

*** Improve Health Care for All of Us**

*** Save \$Billions**

*** Increase Employment**

All with a Single Payer Health Care System!

Colorado can ensure everyone in the state enjoys robust comprehensive health care for less than we spend now with a nonprofit single payer system. Every man, woman, and child in Colorado could trust their health care.

We can spend less to guarantee lifetime coverage for every Coloradan and have better health care with the providers we choose.

The cartel of Big Pharma, Health Insurance, and For-profit hospitals have you cornered. They don't want you to know the bureaucratic nightmares you face trying to get care (and that your doctors face when trying to get paid) were created to increase their profits.

With a single payer, publicly funded and privately delivered system, Colorado will have a way to pay for health care that focuses on our health, not on making a sale.

We can have health care that is better, simpler, and cheaper.

We can have health care that covers everyone in a way that costs both the state and Coloradan individuals less than they pay now.

Health care for everyone at half the cost is no pipe dream — it has been done for decades.

The US is number 11 out of 11 industrialized countries in health care costs and outcomes in the latest Commonwealth Fund report.

Health care is not market-based: if appendectomies were free, there wouldn't be a run on them. People don't get surgery unless they need it.

The health care cartels don't want you to know that EMTs are poorly paid without even getting health insurance and ambulances are run by fat cat profiteers.

Under a publicly funded, privately delivered system, Americans will finally enjoy the freedom from dependence on employer-based insurance.

Unions will no longer have to bargain for health care coverage, instead using their power to negotiate other benefits such as higher pay and childcare.

Providers will finally be free of crushing administrative tasks and will be able to expand the time and quality of care they give their patients.

Millions of people will be free of overwhelming medical debt, pumping \$ billions into our economy.

Most people like their providers but hate their insurance: under a single-payer system, nearly all our money would go directly to the folks taking care of us, not to line the pockets of bureaucrats and investors.

With universal health care in Colorado via a single payer system:

- Health care will no longer be rationed by our ability to pay premiums and deductibles.
- Everyone will have the same high quality care.
- Health care for everyone is simpler without the complexities of multiple insurers with their own plans, requirements and benefits.
- A single nonprofit payer like Medicare has lower administrative costs than multiple for-profit insurers.
- Our health care dollars will pay for health care— not excessive salaries, campaign contributions, or highrise buildings.
- With one nonprofit payer that covers all of us, we can use our purchasing power to lower the price of medications and stop price gouging.
- There will no longer be irrational, unreasonable, surprise medical bills.

- A system based on corporate profits ignores our health needs and costs us more. A publicly funded, privately delivered single payer system will put Coloradans' health first and cost less.
- We can have health care that is guaranteed for our lives.

A single payer plan for Colorado would have no deductibles.

- Private for-profit health care insurers on the ACA marketplaces in 2017 denied 1 in 5 claims that their policyholders submitted. Some denied 40% of the "in-network" claims.
- The average deductible for a single worker covered by employer provided health insurance was over \$16,000 in 2019. In 2020, a silver ACA plan had an average deductible of \$4,300 for an individual and \$8,820 for a family of four. A bronze plan had an average deductible of \$6,400 for an individual and \$13,400 for a family of four.
- Private health insurers have overhead costs of 13% while publicly financed programs like Medicare operate with a 2.3% overhead.

A single payer plan for Colorado would include all providers and hospitals as "in-network."

With an improved Medicare for All system, meaning Medicare plus vision, dental, and hearing and added Medicaid benefits, Colorado could ensure everyone in our state has great health care. And with such a system, Colorado could save \$billions over what we spend now.