

Quick Facts about Single Payer “Improved Medicare for All”

- The USA spends twice as much per capita on health care as other industrialized nations, yet we rank near the bottom in nearly all health indicators (including life expectancy and infant and maternal mortality).
- 30 million Americans still have no health insurance and another 40 million are underinsured.
- Over 60% of U.S. household bankruptcies are due mainly to medical bills – and most of those households had health insurance.
- Our prescription drug prices are the highest in the world. Congress has prohibited Medicare from negotiating drug prices.
- Each year, one trillion of our healthcare dollars go to administrative costs (31%).
- A single payer system can cut administrative costs in half, saving \$500 billion dollars annually.
- Negotiated drug and medical device prices will save \$150 billion dollars annually.
- The savings are more than enough to cover all Americans' health care including dental, vision, and prescription drugs – with no co-pays or deductibles.
- Taxes to fund Improved Medicare for All will cost less than current healthcare expenses for 95% of households.
- Medicare for All is not socialized medicine – care remains private with free choice of doctors and hospitals.
- Health decisions will be made by you and your doctor – not an insurance company focused on maximizing profits.
- Medicare for All is pro-business as employers would no longer be required to provide health insurance. Companies will be better able to compete globally with businesses operating in national health systems.
- Employees will feel free to change jobs without fear of losing health insurance, thus encouraging entrepreneurship and economic growth.
- Call your U.S. Representatives and Senators at 202-224-3121 to support House bill H.R. 676 & Senate bill S.1804.



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H CJ-NC supports Expanded & Improved Medicare for All – a single-payer national health care system.

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In a single-payer system just one agency (Medicare) pays all medical bills, instead of more than 1500 insurance companies. This simplifies the billing procedure for both patients and providers AND saves enough in administrative costs to cover everyone.

Medicare for ALL preserves private delivery of care with free choice of physicians and hospitals.

Expanded & Improved Medicare for All:

- ***Expands Medicare*** to cover all Americans for all medically necessary services
- ***Improves Medicare*** by eliminating co-pays and deductibles

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