



Overview

Why the U.S. needs health care reform

What are the important elements of Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act

Who has been left behind

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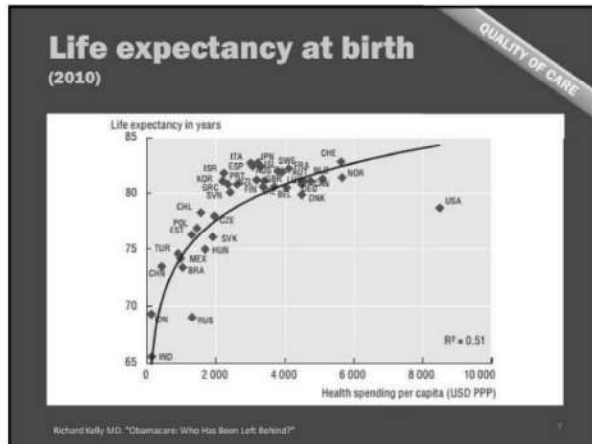
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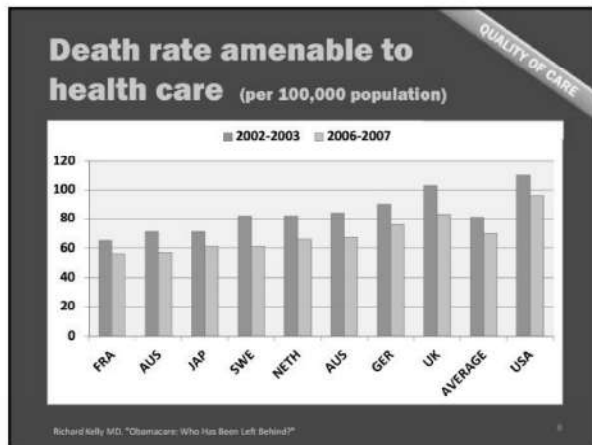
Why we need health reform

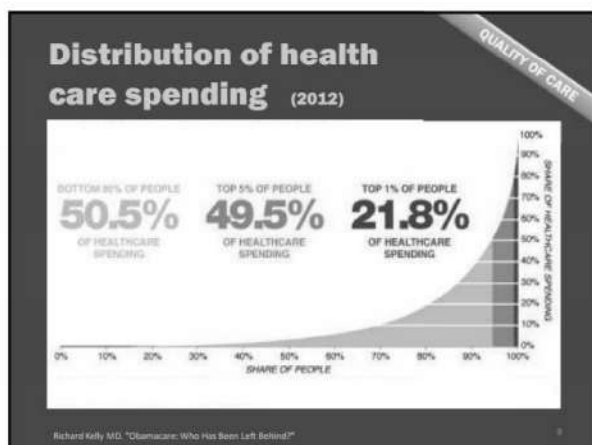
- Problems with quality of care
- Problems with access to care
- Problems with healthcare spending

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Uninsured Americans

ACCESS TO CARE

- > In 2010, 50 million Americans uninsured
- > Equal to combined populations of: Sweden, Austria, Switzerland, Denmark, Finland, Norway, & Ireland

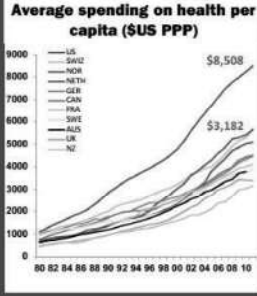


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Healthcare spending (1980-2011)

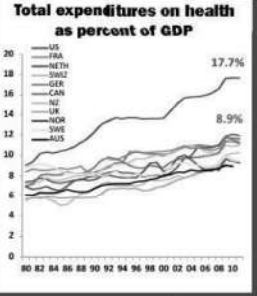
HEALTHCARE SPENDING

Average spending on health per capita (\$US PPP)



Country	2010 Spending (\$US PPP)
US	\$8,508
SWZ	\$3,182
NOR	
NET	
GER	
CAN	
FRA	
SWE	
NZ	
UK	

Total expenditures on health as percent of GDP



Country	2010 Expenditure (% of GDP)
US	17.7%
FRA	
NET	
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AUS	8.9%

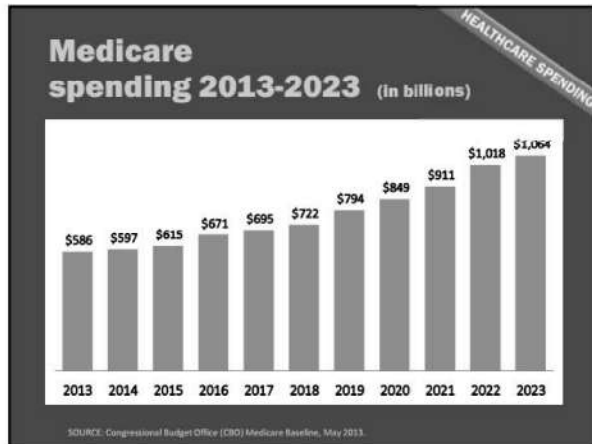
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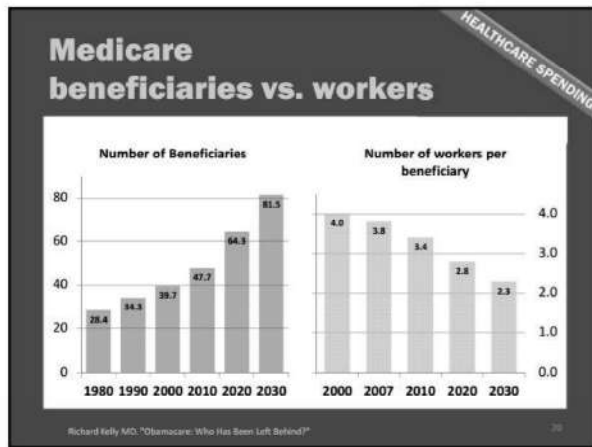
Government spending

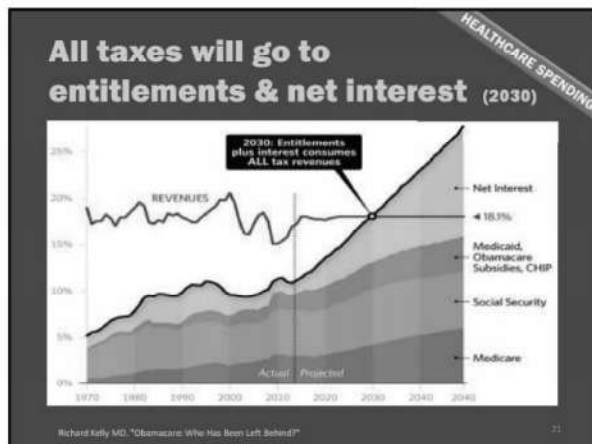
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- For past 20 years, federal spending has grown 63% faster than inflation
- In 2012, 31 cents of every dollar Washington spent was borrowed resulting in a \$1.1 trillion deficit
- The national debt now exceeds \$18 trillion and exceeds 100 percent of the U.S. GDP
- Health care spending is the largest and fastest-growing program in the entire federal budget
- In 2015 health care spending became the largest item in the federal budget

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President Obama on healthcare

"Our health care system is placing an unsustainable burden on taxpayers. When health care costs grow at the rate they have, it puts greater pressure on programs like Medicare and Medicaid. If we do nothing to slow these skyrocketing costs, we will eventually be spending more on Medicare and Medicaid than every other government program combined. Put simply, our health care problem is our deficit problem. Nothing else even comes close. Nothing else."

President Barack Obama
Joint Sessions of Congress
June 9, 2009

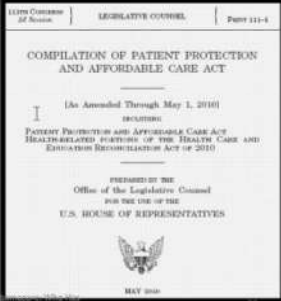
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Healthcare Legislative History


Two legislative acts:

- Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act**
March 23, 2010
- Health Care & Education Affordability Reconciliation Act**
March 30, 2010

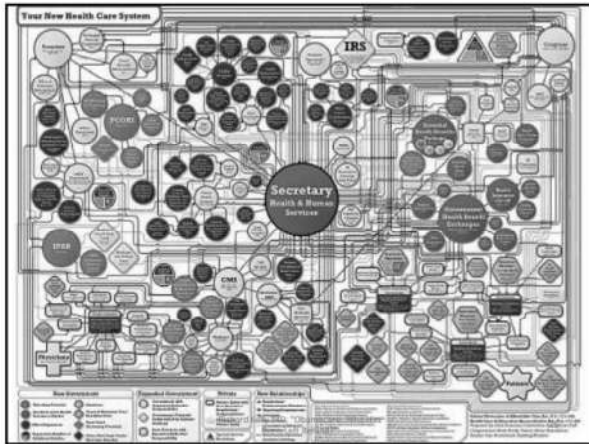
Together the laws are called "The Affordable Care Act", "PPACA" or "Obamacare".



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Insurance requirements

- No pre-existing condition limitations
- No lifetime limits
- Guaranteed issue, guaranteed renewal
- Communal pricing

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Essential health benefits

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Medical loss ratio

ACA MLR = $\frac{\text{Health Care Claims} + \text{Quality Improvement Expenses}}{\text{Premiums} - \text{Taxes, Licensing \& Regulatory Fees}}$

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