



Health Care: A Human Right

What is Single Payer, Universal Health Care?

ONE TIER: One payer for all medical costs, one standard of care for all.

UNIVERSAL CARE NOW: Everybody In, Nobody Out! Just Health Care would extend coverage to every U.S. resident from birth to death. Health Care is a right, not a privilege.

PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY: People should have control over their Health Care, not corporations.

COMPREHENSIVE COVERAGE: Many of us with health insurance pay out-of-pocket for services and prescriptions. Nearly 1/2 of the one million Americans who file for bankruptcy- the majority with insurance- do so because of medical bills. Just Health Care covers doctors visits, nursing home and long-term care, hospitalization, preventive and rehabilitative services, access to specialists, prescription drugs, mental health treatment, dental and vision, occupational health services, and medical supplies and equipment.

CHOICE: People would decide physicians, providers, hospitals, clinics, and practices of their own choosing.

PROTECT OUR HEALTH, NOT PROFITS: Our health is compromised under a profit-driven health care system. As much as 30 cents of every premium dollar is squandered on enormous CEO salaries, shareholder profits, advertising, and administration. In 2001, the top ten pharmaceutical companies made over \$990 million dollars in profit. Just Health Care eliminates profit.

JUST TRANSITION: Elimination of private insurance comes at the expense of the jobs of an estimated 1.25 million workers in the health care industry. A Just Transition, funded by capturing the employer windfall for the first three years, will guarantee displaced workers full income, benefits, and tuition as they make the transition to alternative work.