

We need affordable private insurance options; not a government run program. This would potentially devastate our thriving insurance industry, cause extensive job loss, raise insurance rates, and burden taxpayers. It would likely compromise patient care. As we've seen with Medicare/Medicaid, many physicians have opted out of accepting these plans. NY is a perfect example of this. It can become very difficult to find a participating doctor. The long term result of this is that only the very wealthy can afford optimal care. (This happens in many socialist run countries.) Some physicians have responded to increased insurance rates and ACA changes by forming affordable concierge practices and many have abandoned their practices altogether. We need affordable private insurance options, perhaps healthy competition that may even cross state lines, like home or car insurance. What we don't need is government run health care.

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