



Reasons Why You Need to Be a Docs4PatientCare Member

Reason 1- Betrayal:

The AMA and many specialty societies (AAP, AAFP) and state medical associations have failed you and your patients by supporting the Obama health care plan. The two most important issues facing all physicians were not addressed: permanently fixing the Medicare SGR formula and promoting meaningful medical liability reform.

Read the Wall Street Journal article: <http://on.wsj.com/b1BJhW>

Reason 2 - Staggering New Regulations:

Are you familiar with any of the 159 new federal boards, commissions and agencies established to micromanage your clinical care and reduce patients' freedom of choice? Do you understand the threat to your practice by the massive compliance and regulatory burdens imposed by this law? We do and will keep you informed while we work to fight these intrusions into your medical practice.

Examples:

- *The Federal Coordinating Council for Clinical Effectiveness Research*
- *The National Coordinator for Health Information Technology*
- *The US Preventative Task Force to be directed by the Secretary of HHS. This politically appointed bureaucrat will create the clinical protocols "ALL" physicians will be mandated to follow or face penalty. (Sections 1311, 3002 and 3007)*
- *Independent Payment Advisory Board (Section 3403)*
- *Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute (Section 6301)*
- *Physician Quality Reporting Initiative (Section 3002)*

Read the New York Times article on ObamaCare Power & Implementation: <http://nyti.ms/bp8iyR>

Reason 3 - Medicine, Bureaucrat Style:

Of course, you may already know about the ways the government plans to control health care costs (i.e. - reduce physician reimbursement and ultimately ration care):

- *Pay For Performance*
- *Accountable Care Organizations, Episodic Care and the Medical Home*
- *Independent Payment Advisory Board*
- *Coupling your state medical license to Medicare/Medicaid/Government Insurance Exchange participation*
- *Expanding scope of practice to non-physician providers*

Read the Associated Press article on ksby.com - Nurses taking over Doctor duties: <http://bit.ly/bbulAc>

Read the Massachusetts Medical Law Report: <http://bit.ly/avYLg8>

Reason 4 - Socialized Medicine:

The nomination of Dr. Donald Berwick by President Obama to head the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) - a radical academic and avowed socialist who wishes to model the US health care system after the British National Health Service, with rationing of care and redistribution of wealth.

Read the RealClearPolitics.com article on Berwick & Socialism: <http://bit.ly/cKTz0E>

Reason 5 - We Stand Alone:

No other grassroots group of physicians has emerged to challenge the federal government and the AMA. We are fighting to preserve the sacred physician-patient relationship and serve as the true voice for physicians, while becoming the public's trusted source for healthcare information. We are proponents of the strategy to **Defund-Repeal** the recently passed law and **Replace** with common-sense and responsible alternatives. (See our "Prescription for Responsible Health Insurance Reform" on our web site: www.docs4patientcare.org)

In less than one year, D4PC has:

- *Increased our membership one hundred fold*
- *Recruited thousands of physician members in every state and specialty*
- *Traveled to Capitol Hill eight times*
- *Developed working relationships with the entire Congressional Physician Caucus and other key leaders*
- *Appeared on hundreds of respected national media venues (radio, television and print)*
- *Established a strategy and policy plan with the nation's leading experts on health care*

- *Played a vital role in electing one of our physician members to the 112th US House of Representatives*

Summary Statement

The AMA has abandoned you. Your specialty society and their PAC focus on a narrow interest, just as those in the federal government (and insurance industry) are counting on. Continuing your membership and financial support of these groups will be of little benefit. The time is long overdue for a new organization to emerge that will supplant the AMA and become the new leading voice for the nation's physicians and patients. Docs 4 Patient Care is working to become that organization, however, we need critical numbers of physician members in order to be influential on the issues facing our profession.

You are busy and lack the time and energy to dissect the bill in order to understand how it will negatively impact your profession and practice. Membership in D4PC will provide you with the same value added services available in other organizations, but "we" will assume the burden of staying current on the legislative process. We will give you the vital information you need to plan for the future and our website DOWNLOAD CENTER will be your resource for sharing information with your patients and other physicians.

Do not procrastinate. Please end your denial or worse, apathy. Your patients want you to become engaged and do all you can to preserve their freedom of choice and protect your relationship with them. Your family expects you to make the effort to save the profession you have worked so hard for.

Go to www.docs4patientcare.org and become a member today.

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