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The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) was designed to increase health insurance quality and affordability, lower the uninsured rate by expanding insurance coverage, and reduce the costs of healthcare overall. Along with sweeping change came sweeping criticisms and issues. This book explores the pros and cons of the Affordable Care Act, and explains who benefits from the ACA. Readers will learn how the economy is affected by the ACA, and the impact of the ACA rollout.

*The Affordable Care Act Greenhaven Publishing LLC
Foreword by Randy E. Barnett In 2012, the United States Supreme Court became the center of the political world. In a dramatic and unexpected 5-4 decision, Chief Justice John Roberts voted on narrow grounds to save the Affordable Care Act, commonly known as Obamacare. Unprecedented tells the inside story of how the challenge to Obamacare raced across all three branches of government, and narrowly avoided a constitutional collision between the Supreme Court and President Obama. On November 13, 2009, a group of Federalist Society lawyers met in the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C., to devise a legal challenge to the constitutionality of President Obama's "legacy" -- his healthcare reform. It seemed a very long shot, and was dismissed peremptorily by the White House, much of Congress, most legal scholars, and all of the media. Two*

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years later the fight to overturn the Affordable Care Act became a political and legal firestorm. When, finally, the Supreme Court announced its ruling, the judgment was so surprising that two cable news channels misreported it and announced that the Act had been declared unconstitutional. Unprecedented offers unrivaled inside access to how key decisions were made in Washington, based on interviews with over one hundred of the people who lived this journey -- including the academics who began the challenge, the attorneys who litigated the case at all levels, and Obama administration attorneys who successfully defended the law. It reads like a political thriller, provides the definitive account of how the Supreme Court almost struck down President Obama's "unprecedented" law, and explains what this decision means for the future of the Constitution, the limits on federal power, and the Supreme Court.

With this platform, we the Republican Party reaffirm the principles that unite us in a common purpose. We believe in American exceptionalism. We believe America is exceptional because of our historic role - first as refuge, then as defender, and now as exemplar of liberty for the world to see. We believe our constitutional system - limited government, separation of powers, federalism, and the rights of the people - must be preserved uncompromised for future generations. We believe political freedom and economic freedom are indivisible. When political freedom and economic freedom are separated - both are in peril; when united, they are invincible. We believe that people are the ultimate resource - and that the people, not the

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government, are the best stewards of our country's God-given natural resources. As Americans and as Republicans we wish for peace - so we insist on strength. We will make America safe. We seek friendship with all peoples and all nations, but we recognize and are prepared to deal with evil in the world. Based on these principles, this platform is an invitation and a roadmap. It invites every American to join us and shows the path to a stronger, safer, and more prosperous America.

Moral Hazard in Health Insurance

Reinsurance Under the Affordable Care Act

Joint Hearing Before the Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Health Care, and Entitlements of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Security Technologies of the Committee on

Homeland Security, House of Representatives, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, First Session, July 17, 2013

Obamacare and the Unfinished Crusade for Universal Coverage

Medical and Dental Expenses

Evaluating Privacy, Security, and Fraud Concerns with Obamacare's Information Sharing Apparatus

Man Out

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • A NEW YORK TIMES NOTABLE BOOK • "A tour de force . . . a comprehensive and suitably furious guide to the political landscape of American healthcare . . . persuasive, shocking."—The New York Times
America's Bitter Pill is Steven Brill's acclaimed

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book on how the Affordable Care Act, or Obamacare, was written, how it is being implemented, and, most important, how it is changing—and failing to change—the rampant abuses in the healthcare industry. It's a fly-on-the-wall account of the titanic fight to pass a 961-page law aimed at fixing America's largest, most dysfunctional industry. It's a penetrating chronicle of how the profiteering that Brill first identified in his trailblazing Time magazine cover story continues, despite Obamacare. And it is the first complete, inside account of how President Obama persevered to push through the law, but then failed to deal with the staff incompetence and turf wars that crippled its implementation. But by chance America's Bitter Pill ends up being much more—because as Brill was completing this book, he had to undergo urgent open-heart surgery. Thus, this also becomes the story of how one patient who thinks he knows everything about healthcare “policy” rethinks it from a hospital gurney—and combines that insight with his brilliant reporting. The result: a surprising new vision of how we can fix American healthcare so that it stops draining the bank accounts of our families and our businesses, and the federal treasury. Praise for America's Bitter Pill “An energetic, picaresque, narrative explanation of much of what has happened in the last seven years of health policy . . . [Brill] has pulled off something extraordinary.”—The New York Times Book Review “A thunderous indictment of what Brill refers to as the ‘toxicity of our profiteer-dominated

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healthcare system.' "—Los Angeles Times "A sweeping and spirited new book [that] chronicles the surprisingly juicy tale of reform."—The Daily Beast "One of the most important books of our time."—Walter Isaacson "Superb . . . Brill has achieved the seemingly impossible—written an exciting book about the American health system."—The New York Review of Books

Young adulthood - ages approximately 18 to 26 - is a critical period of development with long-lasting implications for a person's economic security, health and well-being. Young adults are key contributors to the nation's workforce and military services and, since many are parents, to the healthy development of the next generation. Although 'millennials' have received attention in the popular media in recent years, young adults are too rarely treated as a distinct population in policy, programs, and research. Instead, they are often grouped with adolescents or, more often, with all adults. Currently, the nation is experiencing economic restructuring, widening inequality, a rapidly rising ratio of older adults, and an increasingly diverse population. The possible transformative effects of these features make focus on young adults especially important. A systematic approach to understanding and responding to the unique circumstances and needs of today's young adults can help to pave the way to a more productive and equitable tomorrow for young adults in particular and our society at large. Investing in The Health and Well-Being of Young

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Adults describes what is meant by the term young adulthood, who young adults are, what they are doing, and what they need. This study recommends actions that nonprofit programs and federal, state, and local agencies can take to help young adults make a successful transition from adolescence to adulthood. According to this report, young adults should be considered as a separate group from adolescents and older adults. Investing in The Health and Well-Being of Young Adults makes the case that increased efforts to improve high school and college graduate rates and education and workforce development systems that are more closely tied to high-demand economic sectors will help this age group achieve greater opportunity and success. The report also discusses the health status of young adults and makes recommendations to develop evidence-based practices for young adults for medical and behavioral health, including preventions. What happens during the young adult years has profound implications for the rest of the life course, and the stability and progress of society at large depends on how any cohort of young adults fares as a whole. Investing in The Health and Well-Being of Young Adults will provide a roadmap to improving outcomes for this age group as they transition from adolescence to adulthood. A New York Times bestseller/Washington Post Notable Book of 2017/NPR Best Books of 2017/Wall Street Journal Best Books of 2017 "This book will serve as the definitive guide to the past and future of

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health care in America.”—Siddhartha Mukherjee, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Emperor of All Maladies* and *The Gene* At a moment of drastic political upheaval, *An American Sickness* is a shocking investigation into our dysfunctional healthcare system - and offers practical solutions to its myriad problems. In these troubled times, perhaps no institution has unraveled more quickly and more completely than American medicine. In only a few decades, the medical system has been overrun by organizations seeking to exploit for profit the trust that vulnerable and sick Americans place in their healthcare. Our politicians have proven themselves either unwilling or incapable of reining in the increasingly outrageous costs faced by patients, and market-based solutions only seem to funnel larger and larger sums of our money into the hands of corporations. Impossibly high insurance premiums and inexplicably large bills have become facts of life; fatalism has set in. Very quickly Americans have been made to accept paying more for less. How did things get so bad so fast? Breaking down this monolithic business into the individual industries—the hospitals, doctors, insurance companies, and drug manufacturers—that together constitute our healthcare system, Rosenthal exposes the recent evolution of American medicine as never before. How did healthcare, the caring endeavor, become healthcare, the highly profitable industry? Hospital systems, which are managed by business executives, behave like predatory lenders,

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hounding patients and seizing their homes. Research charities are in bed with big pharmaceutical companies, which surreptitiously profit from the donations made by working people. Patients receive bills in code, from entrepreneurial doctors they never even saw. The system is in tatters, but we can fight back. Dr. Elisabeth Rosenthal doesn't just explain the symptoms, she diagnoses and treats the disease itself. In clear and practical terms, she spells out exactly how to decode medical doublespeak, avoid the pitfalls of the pharmaceuticals racket, and get the care you and your family deserve. She takes you inside the doctor-patient relationship and to hospital C-suites, explaining step-by-step the workings of a system badly lacking transparency. This is about what we can do, as individual patients, both to navigate the maze that is American healthcare and also to demand far-reaching reform. *An American Sickness* is the frontline defense against a healthcare system that no longer has our well-being at heart. The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), commonly called Obamacare or the federal health care law, is a United States federal statute signed into law by President Barack Obama on March 23, 2010. Together with the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act, it represents the most significant regulatory overhaul of the U.S. healthcare system since the passage of Medicare and Medicaid in 1965. PPACA is aimed primarily at decreasing the number of uninsured Americans and reducing the

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overall costs of health care. It provides a number of mechanisms--including mandates, subsidies, and tax credits to employers and individuals in order to increase the coverage rate, Additional reforms are aimed at improving healthcare outcomes and streamlining the delivery of health care. PPACA requires insurance companies to cover all applicants and offer the same rates regardless of pre-existing conditions or gender. The Affordable Care Act will increase spending in the United States slowly over the next year and a half, but then accelerate in 2014. The initial concern about millions of uninsured Americans and the rising cost of healthcare is an ongoing debate about healthcare reform that increasingly reflects the recognition that the gaps in quality and unrestrained cost are the result of a delivery system that is failing. Under the current system, quantity of care is rewarded instead of the quality of care. Infrastructure will have to be in place as healthcare providers closely track patient's health outcomes. Organizations will have to be strategically aligned to ensure the integration between clinical and administrative systems is in place to effectively monitor the cost components for reporting and accountability. Systems will have to do more by removing the touching of records across systems, efficiently processing large volumes of data, in effect, do more with fewer resources without compromising the quality of care and the collection of revenues. Efficient tools and workflows will have to be in place and synergies will have to exist

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between IT and other operational departments, driving down labor cost and allowing systems to handle process and procedures to provide quality care at a reasonable cost. Clinical operations have recognized the need to reduce human error, now there is a shift to apply the same rigor to administrative processes to reduce the impact on the revenue cycle. Based on performance, hospitals must reduce costs and improve revenue to satisfy patients in a new health care world. As new healthcare models emerge from Pay for performance, more emphasis will have to be given to turning paper into electronic forms, point to point integration of care, augmenting 3rd party systems and driving down cost of rework. Using scanning tools to remove paper, making information usable as part of tool set instead of looking at files, streamlining functions together from scheduling of patient, analyzing all the labor touch points and mapping the entire workflow stream, optimizing from care to zero balance in a patient account. The perfect storm for a new model is already underway. Leadership must engage in development of new transactions and update current transactions to drive more work, Hospitals and insurers must be aligned in moving the new model forward and support this model just as they supported the EMR model. There is a great sense of urgency in assessing what initiatives to undertake and measure their efficacy. Making revenue cycle effective requires multi stakeholder participation in order for

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health systems sustainability. We are at a critical juncture in our country's history in terms of healthcare reform and changes to IT initiatives are critical to the long-term sustainability for the health of the organization. In moving forward with Epic's integration of Clinical and Administrative Systems, the organization undertook a significant capital investment. It is crucial that over time this capital investment results in a delivery system that maximizes its return on investment (ROI), as the organization strategically aligns itself to meet the demands of the Accountable Care Organization and allows University of California Davis Medical Center to be well positioned in the marketplace to meet the current and foreseeable challenges of the health care industry.

Unprecedented

Favorable Determination Letter

Men on the Sidelines of American Life

a guide to federal and state regulation

Writing Papers

How the Primary Care Crisis Endangers the Lives of Americans

Improving Health Care Worldwide

The story of men who are hurting—and hurting America by their absence. *Man Out* describes the millions of men on the sidelines of life in the United States. Many of them have been pushed out of the mainstream because of an economy and society where the odds are stacked against them; others have chosen

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to be on the outskirts of twenty-first-century America. These men are disconnected from work, personal relationships, family and children, and civic and community life. They may be angry at government, employers, women, and "the system" in general—and millions of them have done time in prison and have cast aside many social norms. Sadly, too many of these men are unsure what it means to be a man in contemporary society. Wives or partners reject them; children are estranged from them; and family, friends, and neighbors are embarrassed by them. Many have disappeared into a netherworld of drugs, alcohol, poor health, loneliness, misogyny, economic insecurity, online gaming, pornography, other off-the-grid corners of the internet, and a fantasy world of starting their own business or even writing the Great American novel. Most of the men described in this book are poorly educated, with low incomes and often with very few prospects for rewarding employment. They are also disproportionately found among millennials, those over 50, and African American men. Increasingly, however, these lost men are discovered even in tony suburbs and throughout the nation. It is a myth that men on the outer corners of society are only lower-middle-class white men dislocated by technology and globalization. Unlike those who primarily blame an unjust economy, government policies, or a culture sanctioning "laziness," *Man Out* explores the complex interplay between economics and culture. It rejects the

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politically charged dichotomy of seeing such men as either victims or culprits. These men are hurting, and in turn they are hurting families and hurting America. It is essential to address their problems. Man Out draws on a wide range of data and existing research as well as interviews with several hundred men, women, and a wide variety of economists and other social scientists, social service providers and physicians, and with employers, through a national online survey and in-depth fieldwork in several communities.

Opposition to Obamacare is stronger than ever, but critics of the law will need to unite around an alternative if they want to move the nation's health care system in a free market direction. In *Overcoming Obamacare*, the Washington Examiner's Philip Klein, one of the leading conservative health care writers, takes readers inside the fierce debate on the right on how to overhaul the health care system in the wake of Obamacare. Drawing on eight years of experience reporting on the issue, dozens of interviews with prominent health policy experts, and conversations with Republican political leaders including Bobby Jindal and Paul Ryan, Klein articulates a free market vision for health care and presents three competing paths to getting there. Whether you're a conservative fighting to repeal Obamacare or a liberal wondering how Republicans may go about unraveling it, this book is a must read.

"Many of the elements of the Affordable Care Act

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(ACA) went into effect in 2014, and with the establishment of many new rules and regulations, there will continue to be significant changes to the United States health care system. It is not clear what impact these changes will have on medical and public health preparedness programs around the country. Although there has been tremendous progress since 2005 and Hurricane Katrina, there is still a long way to go to ensure the health security of the Country. There is a commonly held notion that preparedness is separate and distinct from everyday operations, and that it only affects emergency departments. But time and time again, catastrophic events challenge the entire health care system, from acute care and emergency medical services down to the public health and community clinic level, and the lack of preparedness of one part of the system places preventable stress on other components. The implementation of the ACA provides the opportunity to consider how to incorporate preparedness into all aspects of the health care system. The Impacts of the Affordable Care Act on Preparedness Resources and Programs is the summary of a workshop convened by the Institute of Medicine's Forum on Medical and Public Health Preparedness for Catastrophic Events in November 2013 to discuss how changes to the health system as a result of the ACA might impact medical and public health preparedness programs across the nation. This report discusses challenges and benefits o

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the Affordable Care Act to disaster preparedness and response efforts around the country and considers how changes to payment and reimbursement models will present opportunities and challenges to strengthen disaster preparedness and response capacities."--Publisher's description.

Jonathan Cohn's *The Ten Year War* is the definitive account of the battle over Obamacare, based on interviews with sources who were in the room, from one of the nation's foremost healthcare journalists. The Affordable Care Act, better known as "Obamacare," was the most sweeping and consequential piece of legislation of the last half century. It has touched nearly every American in one way or another, for better or worse, and become the defining political fight of our time. In *The Ten Year War*, veteran journalist Jonathan Cohn offers the compelling, authoritative history of how the law came to be, why it looks like it does, and what it's meant for average Americans. Drawn from hundreds of hours of interviews, plus private diaries, emails and memos, *The Ten Year War* takes readers to Capitol Hill and to town hall meetings, inside the West Wing and, eventually, into Trump Tower, as the nation's most powerful leaders try to reconcile pragmatism and idealism, self-interest and the public good, and ultimately two very different visions for what the country should look like. At the heart of the book is the decades-old argument over what's wrong with

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American health care and how to fix it. But the battle over healthcare was always about more than policy. The Ten Year War offers a deeper examination of how our governing institutions, the media and the two parties have evolved, and the dysfunction those changes have left in their wake.

Assessing Rural Implications of Statues
Health Care Reform

Money, Politics, Backroom Deals, and the Fight to Fix Our Broken Healthcare System

Obamacare Wars

Obamacare: Complete Law, Latest Statistics & Republican's Counterproposal

Society's Choices

Addressing the challenge of covering health care expenses—while minimizing economic risks. Moral hazard—the tendency to change behavior when the cost of that behavior will be borne by others—is a particularly tricky question when considering health care. Kenneth J. Arrow's seminal 1963 paper on this topic (included in this volume) was one of the first to explore the implication of moral hazard for health care, and Amy Finkelstein—recognized as one of the world's foremost experts on the topic—here examines this issue in the context of contemporary American health care policy. Drawing on research from both

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the original RAND Health Insurance Experiment and her own research, including a 2008 Health Insurance Experiment in Oregon, Finkelstein presents compelling evidence that health insurance does indeed affect medical spending and encourages policy solutions that acknowledge and account for this. The volume also features commentaries and insights from other renowned economists, including an introduction by Joseph P. Newhouse that provides context for the discussion, a commentary from Jonathan Gruber that considers provider-side moral hazard, and reflections from Joseph E. Stiglitz and Kenneth J. Arrow. “Reads like a fireside chat among a group of distinguished, articulate health economists.” –Choice

In 2015, building on the advances of the Millennium Development Goals, the United Nations adopted Sustainable Development Goals that include an explicit commitment to achieve universal health coverage by 2030. However, enormous gaps remain between what is achievable in human health and where global health stands today, and progress has been both incomplete and unevenly distributed. In order to meet this goal, a deliberate and comprehensive effort is needed to improve the quality of health care services globally. Crossing

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the Global Quality Chasm: Improving Health Care Worldwide focuses on one particular shortfall in health care affecting global populations: defects in the quality of care. This study reviews the available evidence on the quality of care worldwide and makes recommendations to improve health care quality globally while expanding access to preventive and therapeutic services, with a focus in low-resource areas. Crossing the Global Quality Chasm emphasizes the organization and delivery of safe and effective care at the patient/provider interface. This study explores issues of access to services and commodities, effectiveness, safety, efficiency, and equity. Focusing on front line service delivery that can directly impact health outcomes for individuals and populations, this book will be an essential guide for key stakeholders, governments, donors, health systems, and others involved in health care.

Drug overdose, driven largely by overdose related to the use of opioids, is now the leading cause of unintentional injury death in the United States. The ongoing opioid crisis lies at the intersection of two public health challenges: reducing the burden of suffering from pain and containing the rising toll of the harms

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that can arise from the use of opioid medications. Chronic pain and opioid use disorder both represent complex human conditions affecting millions of Americans and causing untold disability and loss of function. In the context of the growing opioid problem, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) launched an Opioids Action Plan in early 2016. As part of this plan, the FDA asked the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to convene a committee to update the state of the science on pain research, care, and education and to identify actions the FDA and others can take to respond to the opioid epidemic, with a particular focus on informing FDA's development of a formal method for incorporating individual and societal considerations into its risk-benefit framework for opioid approval and monitoring.

The federal government provides an uncapped reimbursement of state Medicaid spending. In theory, states can use the federal Medicaid funds as a replacement for state funds or the federal funds, which take the form of a matching grant that reduces the relative price of Medicaid, can increase (or stimulate) spending on Medicaid with state-raised tax revenue. In the first dissertation paper,

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Subsidizing Medicaid Growth: The Impact of the Federal Reimbursement on State Medicaid Programs, I use a state panel data set from 1992 to 2006 to assess the impact of the federal reimbursement on the size of state Medicaid programs. I find that a one point increase in a state's Medicaid reimbursement percentage increases state per capita Medicaid spending between \$5 and \$16 and increases the percentage of the state's population receiving Medicaid benefits by 0.04 percent to 0.29 percent. The first paper also utilizes a case study that shows significant growth in Alaska's Medicaid program after its effective federal Medicaid reimbursement increased 50 percent between 1998 and 1999. The large growth in Alaska's Medicaid program after this increase provides evidence that states respond to large increases in the federal Medicaid subsidy in a stimulative manner by increasing spending with state-raised revenue. Overall, the results in the first paper are consistent with the hypothesis that decentralization in the form of intergovernmental matching grants increases the size of government. I also find that states with wealthier and more liberal populations tend to have larger Medicaid programs and that states with

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Democratic legislatures tend to have more Medicaid beneficiaries than states with Republican legislatures all else equal. Since 2008, states have experienced significant budgetary pressure; in large part, because of rising Medicaid enrollment due to the recession and weak recovery. Between 2009 and 2011, many states enacted health care provider taxes as a way to bring in additional revenue through the federal Medicaid reimbursement. Provider taxes are generally supported by health care providers since states often give providers an implicit or explicit guarantee of a return of at least as much funding through higher payment rates or supplemental payments. In the second dissertation paper, *Impact of Hospital and Nursing Home Taxes on State Medicaid Spending*, I assess the impact of the two largest provider taxes, the hospital tax and the nursing home tax, on state Medicaid expenditures using a panel dataset of 42 states from between 2007 and 2011. I find significantly larger Medicaid spending growth for hospitals in states that added hospital taxes and significantly larger Medicaid spending growth for nursing homes in states that added nursing home taxes within the first

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two years of the enactment of the tax. I also find some evidence that states with hospital taxes were able to increase their total Medicaid spending more than states without hospital taxes during the economic downturn and initial recovery period. This paper also contains evidence that nursing home taxes diverted Medicaid spending from home and community based services to nursing homes. In the third dissertation paper, *Statewide Health Impact of Tennessee's Medicaid Expansion*, I utilize a quasi-experimental approach to assess the impact of a large statewide public health insurance expansion on access to health care services, health care utilization, and health outcomes. In 1994, Tennessee expanded its state Medicaid program, called TennCare, by about ten percent of the state's population. Along with a major Medicaid expansion, Tennessee increased government subsidies for individuals to purchase health insurance coverage and emphasized managed care. Using a difference-in-difference methodology with Tennessee's neighboring states as controls, I found that TennCare's impact on utilization was mixed as blood pressure and cholesterol checks increased but regular physician check-ups decreased relative to the surrounding

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region. Surprisingly, both self-reported health and mortality rates were less favorable in Tennessee relative to the control states after TennCare. Ultimately, the evidence in this paper suggests that health reform built around a significant public insurance expansion is likely to result in minimal, if any, overall health gains measured in the entire population, at least in the short run. The final dissertation section summarizes the findings from the three dissertation papers, discusses the economic efficiency of the uncapped federal Medicaid reimbursement and state provider taxes, and makes several predictions related to the Medicaid expansion in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

The Ten Year War

The Impacts of the Affordable Care Act on Preparedness Resources and Programs

America's Bitter Pill

Public Law 111-148-Mar, 23, 2010

Federalism, State Politics, and the Affordable Care Act

Three Approaches to Reversing the Government Takeover of Health Care

MEWAs, multiple employer welfare

arrangements under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA)

Gain real-world practice in insurance billing and coding!

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Corresponding to the chapters in Fordney's Medical Insurance, 15th Edition, this workbook provides realistic, hands-on exercises that help you apply concepts and develop critical thinking skills. Study tools include chapter overviews, key terms, chapter review exercises, and case study assignments. Additionally, this workbook helps you develop a better understanding of the differences among the insurance programs when completing and electronically transmitting the 837 P or the CMS-1500 paper claim. Key terms and abbreviations lists at the beginning of each chapter provide a quick reference to the health insurance terminology you need to know. Performance objectives make learning easy by highlighting what you need to accomplish in each chapter. Study outlines focus review by listing key points for each chapter. Self-study exercises - including matching, true/false, multiple-choice, mix and match, and fill-in-the-blank questions - help you practice important concepts. Critical Thinking Assignments in the form of short, real-world vignettes prepare you for working in a real medical office and allow you to apply theory learned from the textbook. NEW! Expanded coverage of inpatient insurance billing, including ICD-10 coding and CMS provides you with the foundation and skills needed to work in the physician office, outpatient, and inpatient setting. NEW! Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) billing chapter provides you with the foundation and skills needed to work in this outpatient setting. NEW! Updated information on general compliance issues, HIPAA, Affordable Care Act and coding reflects changes to the main text.

During 2012, many states took steps to form state-based health insurance exchanges (also referred to as marketplaces) provided for in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA), either through legislation or executive order. The purpose of the new exchanges is to

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ease the process of purchasing and enrolling in health plans, and to increase access to affordable health insurance for individuals, households, and small employers. These will be the exchanges through which low-income households can purchase individual/family insurance and gain access to tax credits to subsidize premiums. States establishing the Small Business Health Options Program will be managing the market for small firms to select health plans and for those who are eligible to receive tax credits toward premium costs. In early 2013 nine states (Arkansas, Delaware, Illinois, New Hampshire, Iowa, Michigan, Ohio, South Dakota, and Virginia) applied to participate as partners in federally facilitated exchanges. This paper examines the elements of state-based exchanges using the rubric established by a previous RUPRI Center paper and the implications of those elements for rural health care markets. When we began analyzing state plans for this paper, 15 states (and the District of Columbia) had taken the initial steps to set up a state-based marketplace. Subsequently (on January 3, 2013), the Center for Consumer Information & Insurance Oversight in the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that 17 states were conditionally approved to operate health insurance exchanges, including the states used in this analysis. West Virginia enacted a statute in 2011 but has not chosen to create a state exchange, so we did not include that state in this analysis, leaving the 14 states listed in the appended tables. Minnesota and New Mexico are not included in our analysis because they had not yet established the exchange by statute or executive order. Given the rural interests of this paper, we excluded the District of Columbia from the analysis. Our market-based, profit-driven health care system in the United States has put necessary care increasingly beyond

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the reach of ordinary Americans. Primary health care, the fundamental foundation of all high-performing health care systems in the world, is a critical but ignored casualty of the current system. Unfortunately, primary care is often poorly understood, even within the health professions. This book describes what has become a crisis in primary care, defines its central role, analyzes the reasons for its decline, and assesses its impacts on patients and families. A constructive approach is presented to rebuild and transform U.S. primary care with the urgent goal to address the nation's problems of access, cost, quality and equity of health care for all Americans.

This thesis examines the topic of stop-loss reinsurance coverage and its usage by small employers as a means to self-fund in order to avoid expanded Affordable Care Act requirements. An employer's choice to buy insurance or self-fund is explored through an in-depth review of previous literature to understand the underlying drivers of employee health benefit decisions. This paper analyzes the role of stop-loss coverage, in particular attachment point levels, to determine whether this form of reinsurance adversely affects health care reform in the small group health insurance markets. Market support comes through surveyed data from the insurance industry, building an understanding of what is actually being offered to small employers. The analysis finds that although the implementation of the Affordable Care Act is too recent to provide enough data to consider unregulated stop-loss coverage an immediate detriment to health care reforms, it deserves to be examined further and monitored closely in the future.

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The Constitutional Challenge to Obamacare

Investing in the Health and Well-Being of Young Adults

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Challenges of Integrating Clinical and Administrative Systems and Its Impact on the Revenue Cycle at the University of California, Davis Health System, an Academic and Medical Institution

An Employee's Guide to Health Benefits Under COBRA State Health Insurance Exchanges

The Social Security Administration (SSA) administers two programs that provide benefits based on disability: the Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) program and the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) program. This report analyzes health care utilizations as they relate to impairment severity and SSA's definition of disability. Health Care Utilization as a Proxy in Disability Determination identifies types of utilizations that might be good proxies for "listing-level" severity; that is, what represents an impairment, or combination of impairments, that are severe enough to prevent a person from doing any gainful activity, regardless of age, education, or work experience.

You won't have to worry about going broke if you get sick. We will start to bring the costs of health care under control. And we will do all this while reducing the federal deficit. That is the promise of the Affordable Care Act. But from the moment President Obama signed the bill into law in 2010, a steady and mounting avalanche of misinformation about the ACA has left a growing majority of Americans confused about what it is, why it's necessary, and how it works. If you're one of them, buy this book. From how to tame the twin threats of rising costs and the increasing number of uninsured to why an insurance mandate is good for your health, Health Care

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Reform dispels false fears by arming you with facts.

"A graphic explanation of the PPACA act"--Provided by publisher.

Research Paper (undergraduate) from the year 2012 in the subject Politics - International Politics - Region: USA, grade: 98.00, , language: English, abstract: The following report explains how Hispanic families, mainly the children, are affected by being uninsured and how the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act will affect them. The Hispanic population has consistently grown in the United States for the past several decades. With the unexpected rapid growth of the minority, several issues have risen including Hispanic families and children being uninsured or underinsured for healthcare. Statistics show millions of children are underinsured, an alarming 31 percent of those being Hispanic (Flores, Olson, Tomany-Korman, 2004). To correct the problem, along with many other concerns, President Obama signed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. The law was put into place to correct the health care system that the United States previously had. It is a health care reform that requires every individual to carry some form of insurance by 2014. The report will list my recommendations on how to make the Patient Protection and Affordable Health Care Act a perfect fit for Hispanic families and children that are below the poverty line in America. The recommendations will have a description, rationale, information on how to implement the program, and an evaluation of the Affordable Care Act as a whole. Some of the recommendations include: building a community based agency to ensure that Hispanics

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understand and utilize every service available to them to obtain insurance, to provide a program for individuals with pre-existing conditions that were denied medical coverage before the Affordable Care Act passed, and an emergency room visit cap for those who tend to abuse the system. The final evaluation will sum up the entire paper, and mention why I feel the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act is a suitable choice for the United States healthcare system reform.

Who are the Navigators? : Hearing Before the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, House of Representatives, One Hundred Thirteenth Congress, First Session, December 16, 2013
Affordable Care Act

Crossing the Global Quality Chasm

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This e-book contains the complete text of The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act which is formatted for your eReader with a functional and detailed table of contents. The edition also includes the latest data on health coverage and health care expenses, as well as the Republicans' counter arguments and their proposed bill.

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Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act or Obamacare, is a United States federal statute which, at the same time, represents the complete reform of the American health care system conducted by the former president Barack Obama. The main goal of this act was to drive better health outcomes, lower costs, and improve accessibility to health services. The whole system was designed to increase health insurance quality and affordability, lower the uninsured rate by expanding insurance coverage and reduce the costs of healthcare. In March 2017 the Republican Party, which opposed Obamacare, released its plan to replace it.

This supplement to "The Employer's Payroll Question and Answer Book (2015)" is a condensed guide to Forms 1094-C and 1095-C, the IRS forms that Applicable Large Employers must use to report health care coverage information to the IRS under the rules of the Affordable Care Act. Applicable Large Employers are those employers who have 50 or more full-time employees (including full-time equivalents) or who are part of a group with a common owner or owners, where the members of the group collectively have 50 or more full-time employees. All Applicable Large Employers (ALEs) or employers who are a member of an "aggregated group" that qualifies as an ALE must provide 1095-C forms to each of their full-time employees by January 31, 2016 for calendar year

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2015 (regardless of whether or not the employer offered health care coverage in 2015). In addition copies of the 1095-C forms must also be submitted to the IRS by February 28, 2016 (if filing on paper) or by March 31, 2016 (if filing electronically). The 1095-C forms submitted to the IRS must be accompanied by a Form 1094-C (the transmittal form), similar to the W-3 form that accompaniesthe W-2 forms sent to the Social Security Administration. The sections in this supplement include a basic overview of the Affordable Care Act (ACA), and detailed instructions for filling out Form 1094-C and Form 1095-C. Additional references are also given where employers can find more information about the ACA and its reporting requirements.

Breakthroughs in biomedicine often lead to new life-giving treatments but may also raise troubling, even life-and-death, quandaries. Society's Choices discusses ways for people to handle today's bioethics issues in the context of America's unique history and culture--and from the perspectives of various interest groups. The book explores how Americans have grappled with specific aspects of bioethics through commission deliberations, programs by organizations, and other mechanisms and identifies criteria for evaluating the outcomes of these efforts. The committee offers recommendations on the role of government and professional societies, the function of commissions and institutional review

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US Health Care

A concise history of the long struggle between two fundamentally opposing constitutional traditions, from one of the nation's leading constitutional scholars—a manifesto for renewing our constitutional republic. The Constitution of the United States begins with the words: “We the People.” But from the earliest days of the American republic, there have been two competing notions of “the People,” which lead to two very different visions of the Constitution. Those who view “We the People” collectively think popular sovereignty resides in the people as a group, which leads them to favor a “democratic” constitution that allows the “will of the people” to be expressed by majority rule. In contrast, those who think popular

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sovereignty resides in the people as individuals contend that a “republican” constitution is needed to secure the pre-existing inalienable rights of “We the People,” each and every one, against abuses by the majority. In *Our Republican Constitution*, renowned legal scholar Randy E. Barnett tells the fascinating story of how this debate arose shortly after the Revolution, leading to the adoption of a new and innovative “republican” constitution; and how the struggle over slavery led to its completion by a newly formed Republican Party. Yet soon thereafter, progressive academics and activists urged the courts to remake our Republican Constitution into a democratic one by ignoring key passages of its text. Eventually, the courts complied. Drawing from his deep knowledge of constitutional law and history, as well as his experience litigating on behalf of medical marijuana and against Obamacare, Barnett explains why “We the People” would greatly benefit from the renewal of our Republican Constitution, and how this can be accomplished in the courts and the political arena.

Section 1557 is the nondiscrimination provision of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). This brief guide explains Section 1557 in more detail and what your practice needs to do to meet the requirements of this federal law. Includes sample notices of nondiscrimination, as well as taglines translated for the top 15 languages by state.

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