



The Big Three: New Taxes, Job Losses and Government Run Health Care

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DIVERSE GROUP WORKING TO ELEVATE AWARENESS OF THE REALITIES OF SINGLE PAYER HEALTH CARE GROWING

A dozen and counting. Over the last 4-5 weeks alone, that's how many new members have joined *The Realities of Single Payer* group, a of business organizations, healthcare providers, health plans, brokers and labor unions representing thousands of individuals and businesses committed to raising awareness and concern about the impact of legislation creating a single payer healthcare system.

"As the rhetoric about government-run health insurance has picked up in recent weeks, the more employers, business leaders and those with a clear understanding of how healthcare works realize such a program would be a disaster for New York taxpayers," said Heather C. Briccetti, Esq., president and CEO of The Business Council of New York State, Inc. "The membership of the group continues to broaden and grow each week."

Groups and organizations signing on to *The Realities of Single Payer* in recent weeks include major chambers of commerce (Buffalo Niagara Partnership, Chemung County Chamber of Commerce, Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce), insurance brokers and employee benefit experts (Bond Benefits Consulting, Inc.) Consilliarium Group, LLC, Perry & Carrol Inc.), and private employers (Dupli Envelope, The Hilliard Corporation. Matt Industries, The Agency, Welliver McGuire, Inc).

"The recent New York State Health Foundation's RAND report on the New York Health Act single payer legislation found that moving to a government-run system would require \$139 Billion in new state taxes in 2022, rising to \$210 Billion in 2031 — representing the largest state tax hike in U.S. history. Once people understand the facts about government-run health insurance, they understand it's a system we simply don't want and can't afford," Briccetti added.

Members of *The Realities of Single Payer* are committed to ensuring access to high-quality and affordable healthcare for all New Yorkers and have joined together to educate the public about the consequences that a single payer healthcare system would have on both individuals and businesses in New York State.

The full list of *The Realities of Single Payer* members includes:

Bond Benefits Consulting, Inc
Buffalo Niagara Partnership
The Business Council of New York State, Inc.
Business Council of Westchester
Capital Region Chamber of Commerce
Centers Health Care
Chemung County Chamber of Commerce
Columbian Mutual Life Insurance Company
Consilliarium Group, LLC
Corning Area Chamber of Commerce

Dupli Envelope
Employer Alliance for Affordable Health Care
Greater Central New York Association of Health Underwriters
Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce
Hematology Oncology Associates of Central New York
The Hilliard Corporation
Matt Industries
National Federation of Independent Businesses
New York Health Plan Association
New York State Association of Health Underwriters
New York State Building & Construction Trades Council
New York State Conference of Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans
North Country Chamber of Commerce
Pathfinder Bank
Perry & Carroll Inc.
Rockland Business Association
Sergeants Benevolent Association
The Agency
Uniformed Firefighters Association of Greater New York
Unshackle Upstate
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About Realities of Single Payer

The Realities of Single Payer is a diverse group of organizations united in support of universal coverage but in opposition to legislation that would create a Single Payer Healthcare System in New York.

The group supports universal healthcare coverage for all New Yorkers. It believes healthcare coverage should be provided through a combination of private and government funded health insurance. We support allowing a variety of healthcare coverage options – employer-based, private and public health insurance programs – rather than forcing all New Yorkers to use a single government-run health insurance program.

The goal of *The Realities of Single Payer* is to provide accurate information on this critical healthcare issue.

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