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New York Health Act Tracker



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Legislators ended session without taking up the New York Health Act!

Thanks to all of our Realities coalition members for your support. The Memos in Opposition, communication with Legislators, and media activity made the difference. We could not have defeated the Single Payer legislation without your efforts!

What's Next?

The screenshot shows a Facebook post from the page 'Realities of Single Payer'. The post text reads: 'New Yorkers already face the highest taxes in the country but Albany politicians want to: TRIPLE our taxes! Eliminate our health insurance! Force everyone into a government-run health plan! Tell lawmakers to OPPOSE the New York Health Act single payer plan.' Below the text is a blue graphic with white and red text that says 'NYS TAXES WILL INCREASE BY \$250,000,000,000 SAY NO TO SINGLE PAYER!'. At the bottom of the graphic is the website 'REALITIESOFSINGLEPAYER.COM' and a 'LEARN MORE' button. The post has 251 comments and 165 shares.

Right now, we are reviewing the metrics for our digital, radio, television and print ad campaigns and evaluating their performances. We will determine which messaging and platforms performed the best and reached the most people, and use that information for our future ad campaigns.

This summer, we will take a deeper dive in looking at how the Single Payer legislation would impact various sectors, such as small businesses and public unions. If you think we should focus more research on a specific area, please [let us know](#).

The next few months will be a good time to draft Op-Eds and Letters to the Editor to have prepared for publications across the state! Single

Payer supporters have cited personal stories as being the most powerful tool in their efforts, so we need to amplify our individual stories too. If you are interested in submitting an Op-Ed or LTE, we can assist with the language or getting it placed.

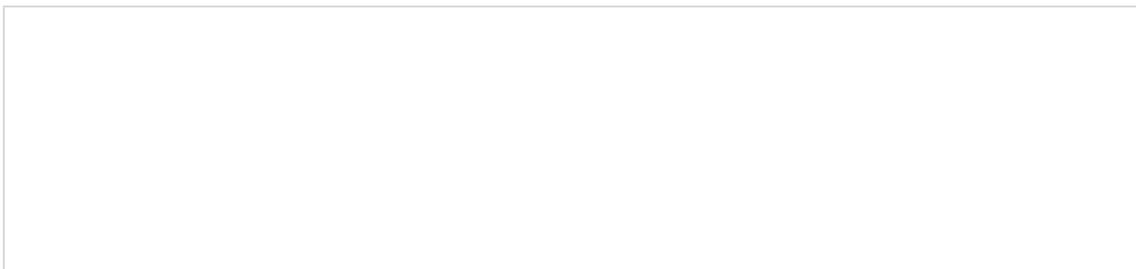
New Coalition Members

The Realities of Single Payer coalition has grown to 142 members. Our newest members are:

- United Federation of Teachers (UFT)
- District Council 37 (DC 37)
- Uniformed Sanitationmen's Association
- TRITECH Communications

Empire Report Op-Ed

A really good Op-Ed ran in the Empire Report, written by Wendy Darwell, president and CEO of the Suburban Hospital Alliance. She explained the recent measures taken on the state and federal levels to increase access and affordability, and how a Single Payer system would upend the progress made.





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Beginning this month, hundreds of New Yorkers are eligible for expanded health insurance benefits due to provisions written into the American Rescue Plan (ARP), which passed in March. Now, uninsured New Yorkers whose incomes priced them out of...

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Realities Resources

Useful Links and Information

[Realities Member Toolkit](#)

[Webinar: Understanding the New York Health Act](#)

[Economic Impact of the New York Health Act](#)

[Webinar: The New York Health Act & ERISA](#)

[New York State 2021 Legislative Session Calendar](#)

[New York Health Act: Cost vs Tax Increase](#)

[Frequently Asked Questions about the New York Health Act](#)

[Myths and Facts about the New York Health Act](#)

[Sample Opposition Memo](#)

[RAND Study on Single Payer](#)

