

The Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act (PP ACA)

Will it Help Public
Health?

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Information Resources

- **HR 3590: The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act**
- **www.healthcare.gov**
- **<http://healthreform.kff.org>**
- **www.aarp/getthefacts**
- **<http://www.apha.org/NR/rdonlyres/>**
- **mediarelations@apha.org**

Agenda

- ◆ History behind ACA
- ◆ Problems in the PH System
- ◆ PP ACA Benefits to Public Health
- ◆ The Future: The Election of 2012
**Will we Keep What We Have, Regress,
Or Expand PH & Medicare for ALL?**

A photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge at night, with the bridge's towers and suspension cables illuminated against a dark blue sky and water. The bridge spans across the water, and the lights create a reflection on the surface.

History

- ◆ Egypt & China
- ◆ John Adams: Merchant Seaman Act, 1798
- ◆ Dorothea Dix & Franklin Pierce, 1854
- ◆ Theodore Roosevelt: Bull Moose Party
- ◆ Lyndon Johnson: Medicare & Medicaid
- ◆ Barack Obama: Affordable Care Act, 2010


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Problems in American Medicine

- ◆ Cost: \$2.6 trillion in 2010
- ◆ Access: 50 million uninsured
- ◆ Quality: US is #37 in World
- ◆ Profits outrank Service
- ◆ “Let the Market Decide”
- ◆ “No Socialized Medicine”
- ◆ “Repeal ‘ObamaCare’! ”

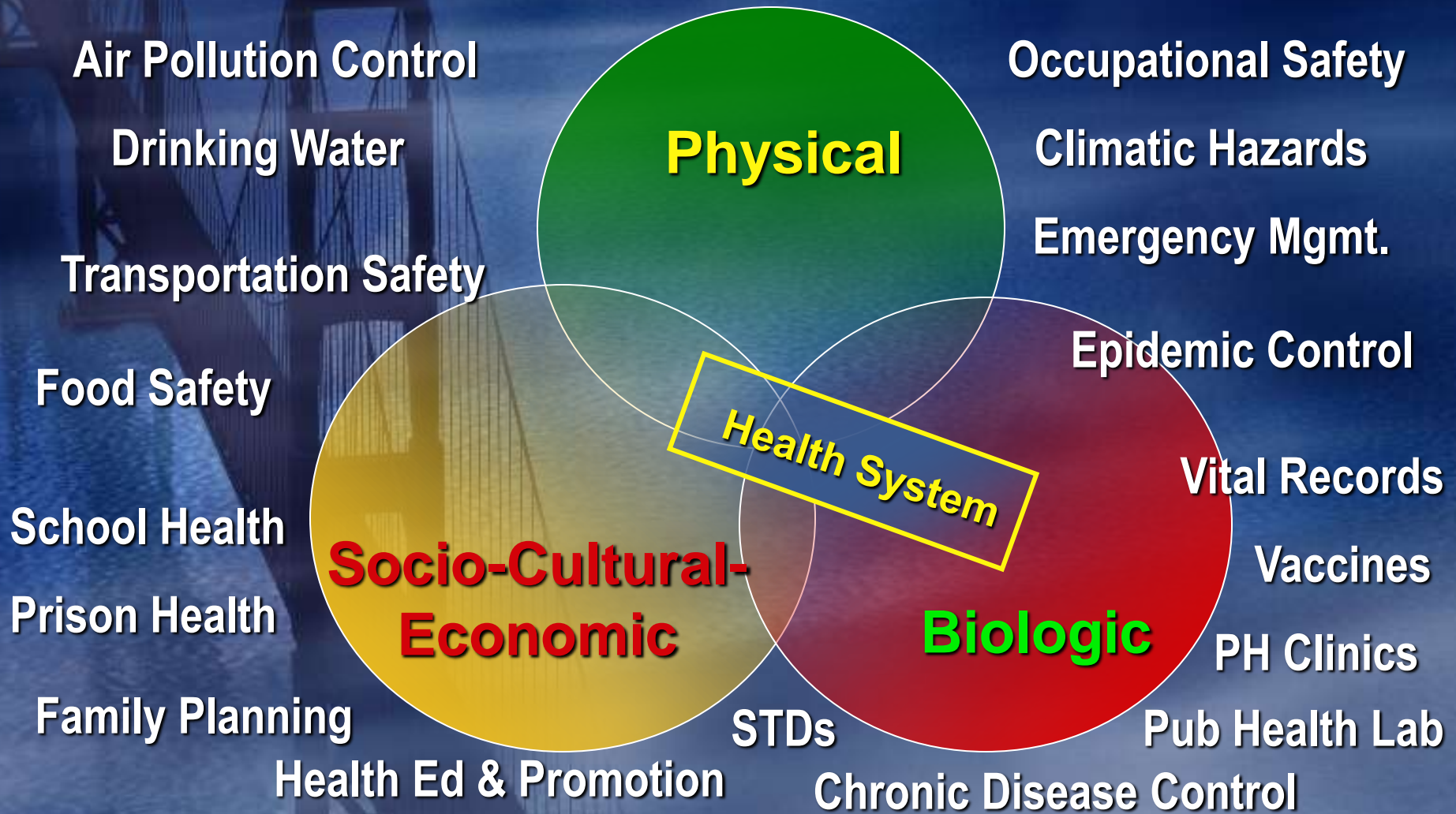
Again, You have heard it all; so let's go on!

Problems in American Public Health System

- ◆ Federal Agencies: USDA, EPA, OSHA, FEMA, DEd, DEnerg, etc., and
- ◆ DHHS: PHS (CDC, Prison Hlth, Niosh), FDA, INH, HRSA, etc.
- ◆ Congress: Do they have a Clue?
- ◆ States: 55 Health Depts.
- ◆ Counties and Cities: 3000 
- ◆ Assns: ASTHO, NACCHO, APHA, AAPHP, etc.

LEADERSHIP??

Needs in American Public Health System

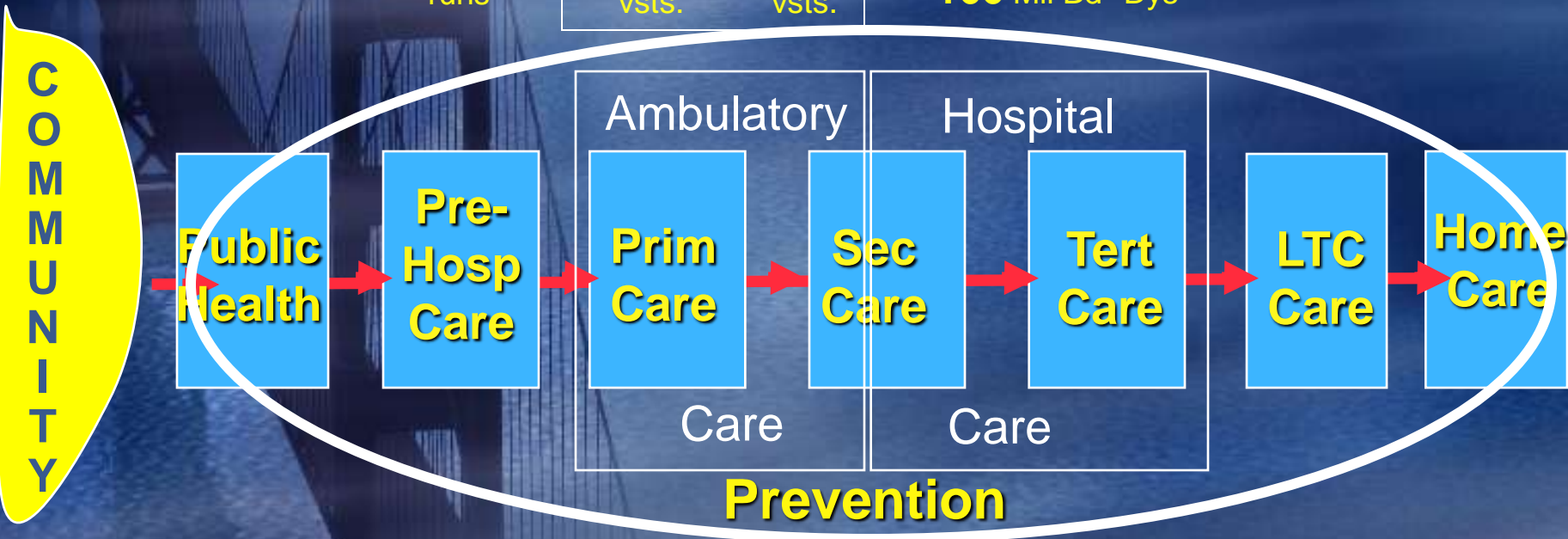


Where does PH fit into a \$2.6 trillion Health System?

2010

Cost \$60 B < \$50 B \$750 B \$900 B \$216 B \$53 B

Number: 312 million 16 million runs 587 million vsts. 451 million vsts. 35 Mil Admts.& 166 Mil Bd--Dys 6 Mil Patients 3 Mil Patients



The ACA has assigned \$650 Million for PH & Expanded Prevention Services

How are PH & Prevention Funds Allocated?

A. Community Prevention: \$ 298 Mil.

- ◆ State & local: \$ 222
- ◆ Tobacco Prevention: \$ 60
- ◆ Obesity & Fitness: \$ 16

B. Clinical Prevention: \$ 182

- ◆ Wellness & Prevention (vac): \$ 112
- ◆ Behavioral Health & 1^o Care: \$ 70

And More.....

How are PH & Prevention Funds Allocated?

C. PH Infrastructure & Training: \$ 137 Mil

- ◆ PH Infrastructure: \$ 40
- ◆ PH Workforce: \$ 45
- ◆ PH Capacity: \$ 52

D. Research & Tracking: \$ 133

- ◆ Healthcare Surveillance: \$ 84
- ◆ Prevention Research (USTFPS): \$ 49

Total for Prevention: \$ 650 Million

Which Elements of the System will Benefit from \$650 Million from the ACA?

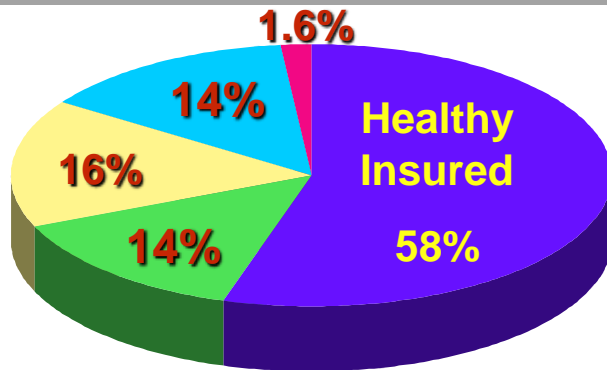
COMMUNITY



Are These Enough? NO!! But they are a START!

But First, let us Consider Who Gets Care & Who Generates Costs

Population Distribution



Insured (Healthy): 165 million

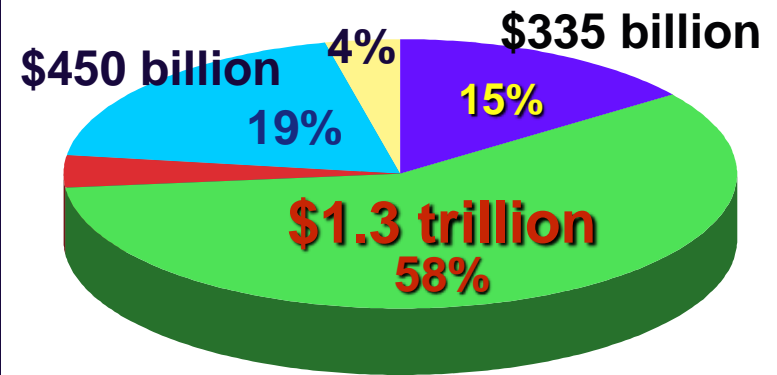
Insured (Unhealthy): 42 million

Medicare, Elderly: 42 million

Medicare, SSI: 4.8 million

Uninsured: 48 million

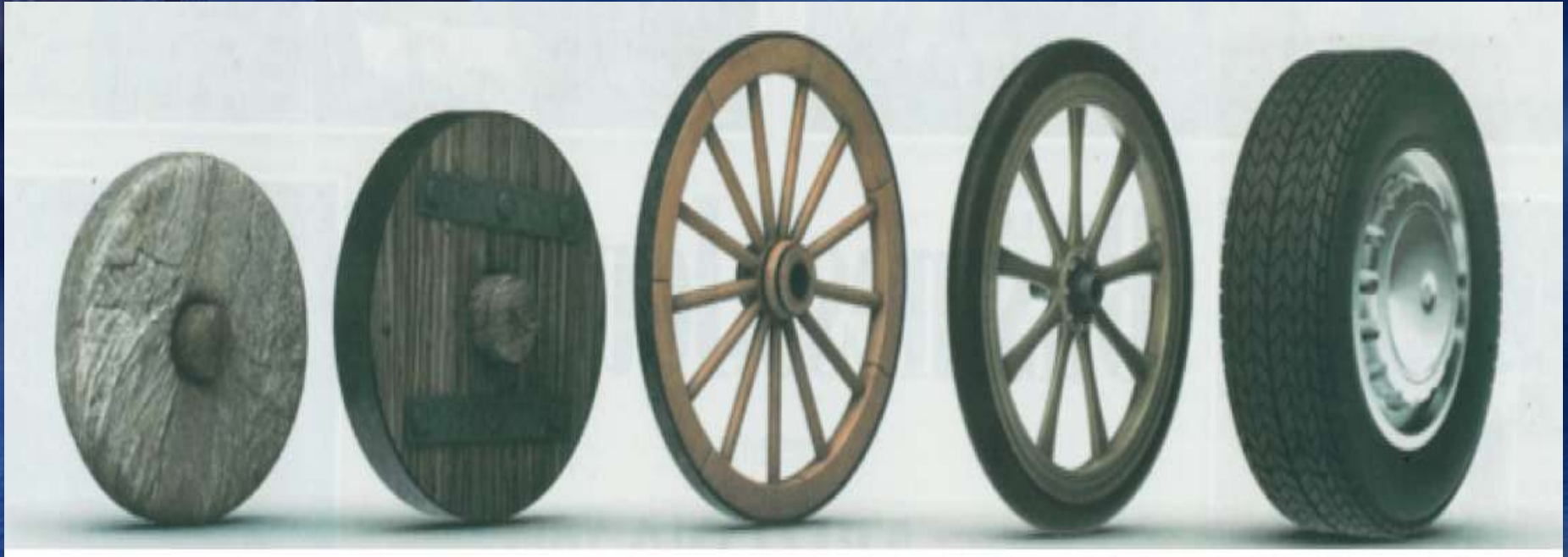
Health Expenditure %



25% of Insured (50 million) are on Medicaid

30% of Population: the Elderly & Unhealthy Insured uses 81% of Resources

Now Let us ask: "Where Do We In Public Health go from Here?"



Ancients:
Egypt/ China

**Merchant
Seaman**
1798

**Medicare/
Medicaid**
1965

**Affordable
Care Act**
2010

2013
?

The SCOTUS Ruling on the ACA May Help



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IT'S ALL ABOUT TAXES

What About TAXES?

- ◆ **Congress may use a Tax to Achieve its OBJECTIVE**
- ◆ **IMPLICATION for Pub Hlth**
 - ◆ **A Tax can be used for PH goals**
 - ◆ **A Tax can Influence Behavior**
 - ◆ **Tax is triggered by a Situation**
 - ◆ **Invites Targetted Taxes**

Some Examples

- ◆ Tax on Tanning Salons
- ◆ Tax on Pollution
- ◆ Taxes on Tobacco & Alcohol
- ◆ Or a TAX on PEOPLE who SMOKE
- ◆ A Tax on Body Mass,
- ◆ Or a Tax Credit for Weight LOSS
- ◆ Or a Credit for Vaccinating Children
 - ◆ And More....

Ref: Mello, MM, & Cohen, IG, NEJM.org, Oct 17, 2012



But Caveats Exist

- ◆ Taxes can be used for PH Goals
- ◆ But they can be Blocked as Well
- ◆ Legislatures do not always Agree
- ◆ Nor do the VOTERS who may Balk

BUT the Supreme Court Decision

Will Not Determine the FUTURE

A photograph of the Golden Gate Bridge at night, with the bridge's towers and cables silhouetted against a dark blue sky and water. The bridge spans across the frame from the left side towards the center.

***The 2012 Election
will Determine the Future***

Four Options Exist

Option #1 *(similar to 111th Congress)*

Presidency: Obama, Democrat

**US House:
Republican**

**Rep: 256
Dem: 178**

**US Senate:
Democratic**

**Rep: 46
Dem: 52
Ind: 2**

Option #2 *(House & Senate go RED)*

Presidency: Obama is Re-elected

**US House stays
Republican**

**Rep: 256
Dem: 178**

**US Senate goes
Republican**

**Rep: 52
Dem: 46
Ind: 2**



Option #3

**President:
Romney
& VP: Ryan**



**US House:
Republican**

**Rep: 256
Dem: 178**

**US Senate:
Republican**

**Rep: 53
Dem: 46
Ind: 1**

Option #4

**President
O b a m a
Is Re-elected**

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US House

Dem: 225

Rep: 205

US Senate

Dem: 55

Rep: 44

Ind: 1

Given Four Options, What is the **FUTURE** for Public Health & Health Care after 2012?

Option 1 or 2: Who Knows? More Gridlock?

Option 3:

Option 4:

Republicans will Repeal ACA; Privatize **Medicare** and Eliminate **Medicaid**

Affordable Care Act will be Solid; *Medicare for All*; might be Considered. **Medicaid, WHO KNOWS??**

PUBLIC HEALTH. Could Prosper



If Public Health is to Prosper, We Must Achieve Option #4



- ◆ We must then work with Congress; through **AMA, APHA, NACCHO, ASTHO, APPHP**
- ◆ We must continue to work our local **POLITICAL** Game,
- ◆ If Obama loses, we will be in entrenchment mode.

□□ We Must Work to Improve the ACA. Work to Prevent Repeal

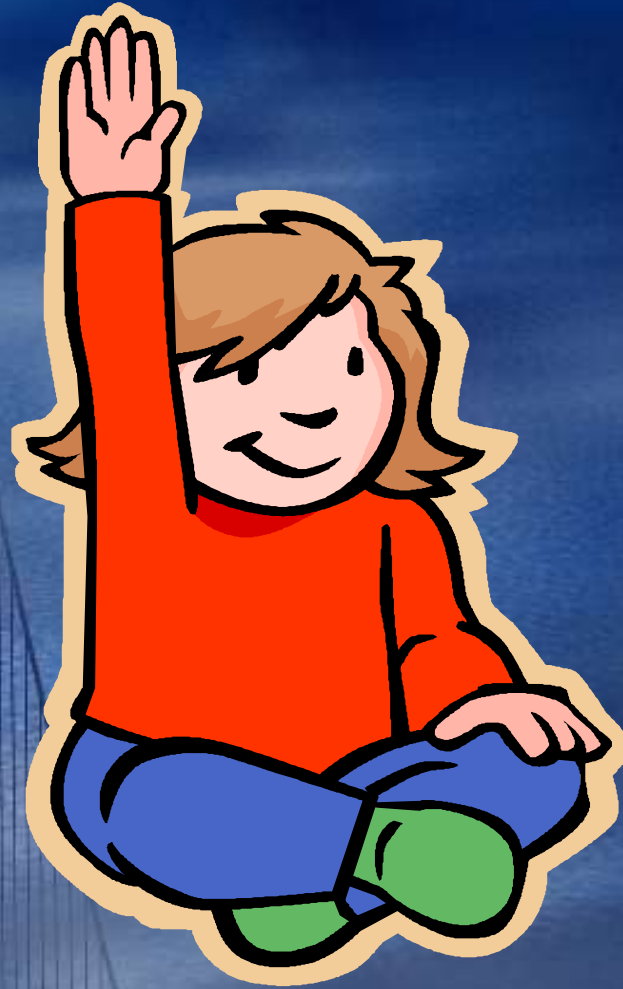
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Regardless of the Election

The next 4 yrs Won't be EASY!!

BUT WE WILL SURVIVE

Questions?



& Discussion

History

Egypt: ~2500 BCE; Health Insurance (?)



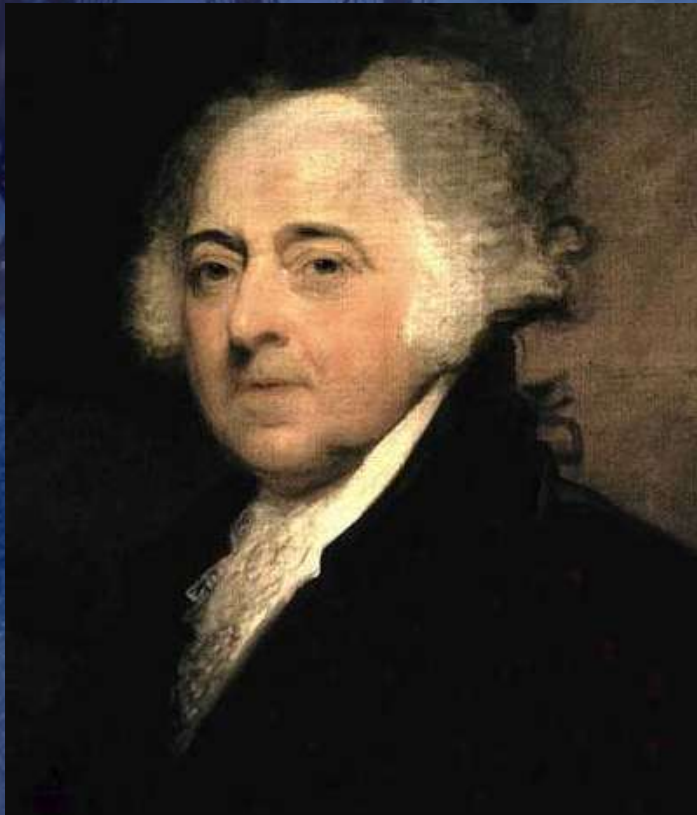
A general view of the Temple of Amun including the sacred lake

And China: ~1600 BCE; HMOs (?)



US History

President John Adams, 1798



Signed into Law, the Merchant Seaman's Act of 1798, which Required all Seaman to buy Insurance giving the US the resources to create a Federal Health System in all US Seaports, serving Seamen and other Federally qualified groups, It became the basis for the Public Health Service; and the VA Hospital System.

Early 20th Century History

TR, Franklin & Harry



1912



1937



1949

All failed to pass Universal Health Care

More History

LBJ: In 1964 the Election Mattered



**And LBJ signed Medicare & Medicaid
in Independence, MO, July 30, 1965**

Painful History

Clinton: 1993-94



**The Failure of Clinton's
Health Reform Legislation,
opened the Flood Gates to
an Expanded Private
Health Insurance Industry**

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And Yesterday's History

President Obama, in 2010,



with a Democratic
Majority in the House
and Senate Signed the
**Patient Protection
Affordable Care Act,
ACA**

March 23, 2010

Fundamental Issues in Health Care that ACA will try to Solve

Access

40 to 50 million
Americans are

Uninsured

Docs, Pts,
Hosps, are all
Frustrated



Quality

Below 37 other nations

- ◆ Too much Service, not enough Benefit
- ◆ 150,000 unnecessary deaths a year
- ◆ Infant Mortality: High, especially in Minorities
- ◆ Life Expectancy: Below Japan, Europe, Canada

Cost

**17% of GNP
and rising**



WHERE Do WE Want to BE? ***(Goals)***

- ◆ **Access** for 310 million
- ◆ **Cost** Reduction
- ◆ **Quality** Improvement:
 - ◆ Longer Life,
 - ◆ Lower Infant Mortality,
 - ◆ Lower Chronic Disease by Age
 - ◆ Expanded Primary Care
 - ◆ More Preventive Services

HOW Do WE Get THERE?

(Phase I)

- ◆ **2012:** Elect Progressives in November
- ◆ **2013:** Federalize Medicaid early
 - ◆ Cover **ALL** Pregnant Women & Infants
 - ◆ Expand Medicare Coverage to **LTC & NHs**
 - ◆ Increase Payroll Deduction to 4.0% and Eliminate FICA Cap of \$106,000 --> \$320± B
 - ◆ Enact a Financial Activity Transfer Tax: \$0.50/shr --> ~ \$550 billion/ year from NYSE
 - ◆ Total Input to Medicare Trust Fund: ~ \$900 B

Getting THERE:

(Phase II)

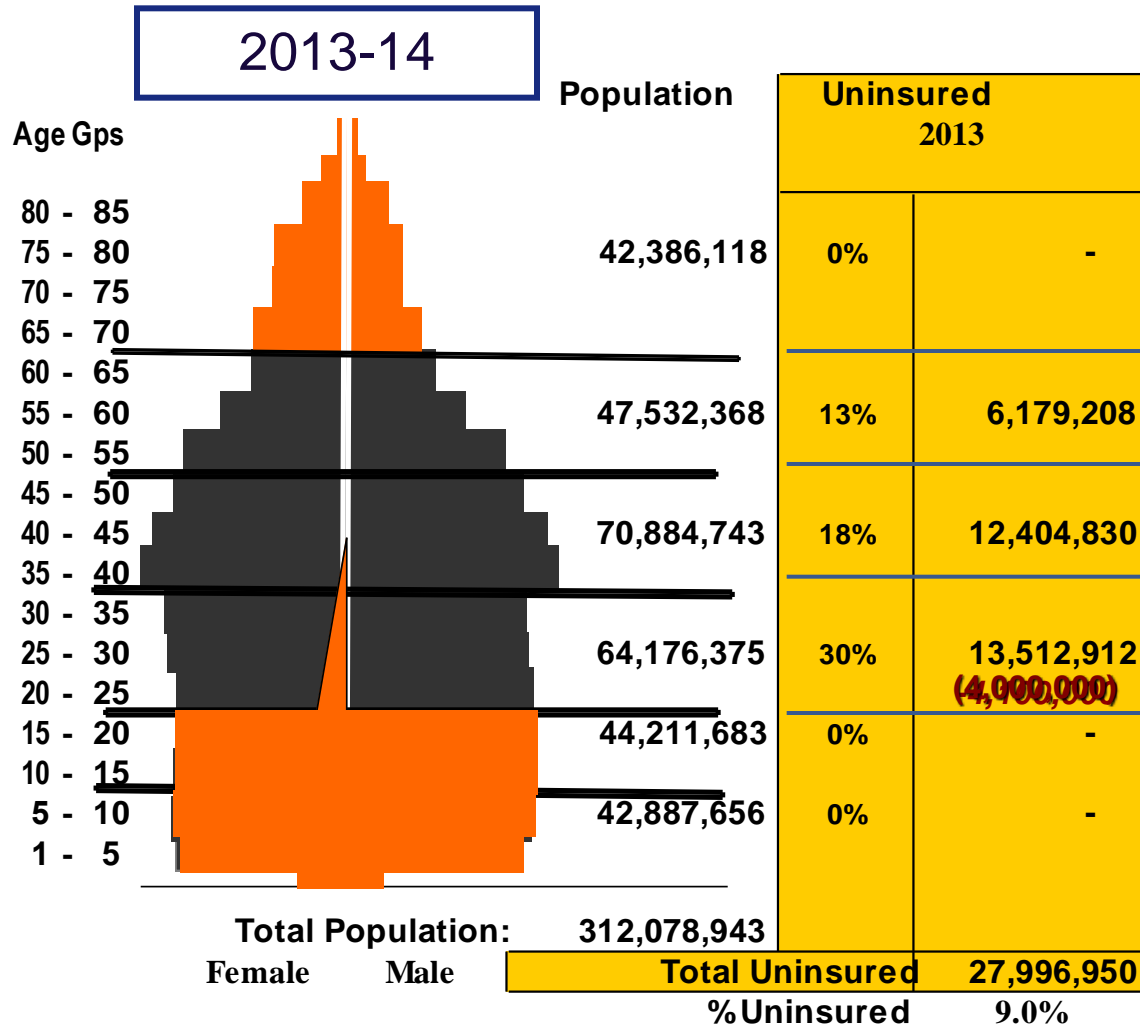
- ◆ **2014:** Expand **Medicare** Age Eligibility:
 - ◆ Add 50 to 65 age group;
 - ◆ Add 1 to 20 year olds to eligible group
 - ◆ Increase FICA to 7% of Payroll --> \$560 B ±
- ◆ **2015:** Make 35 to 50 **Medicare** Eligible
 - ◆ Increase Payroll Deduction to 8.5% (+ \$120 B)
- ◆ **2016:** Add 20 to 35 to **Medicare** Eligibility
 - ◆ Increase Payroll Deduction to 11% --> ~ \$1,100 B
 - ◆ Total Annual Input to MTF: \$900 + \$550 + \$350* =
\$2,000 Billion

* General Fund for Medicaid Costs

2011 is Where We Begin

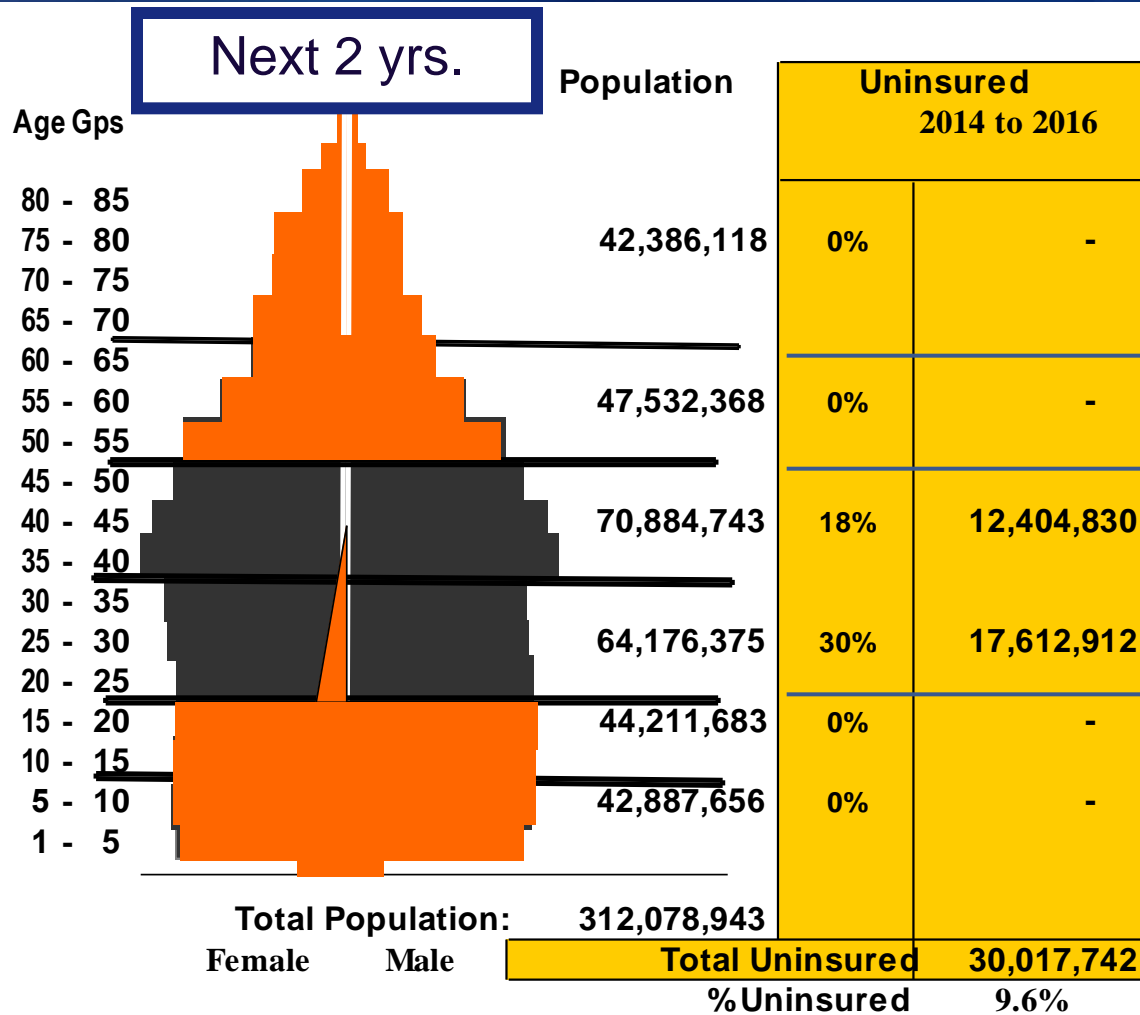
Age	Population		Uninsured 2011		Medical Costs	
80 - 85			0%	-	\$450 B	
75 - 80			41,555,018			\$100 B
70 - 75			1,000,000			
65 - 70						
60 - 65						
55 - 60	46,600,361		13%	6,058,047	\$350 B	
50 - 55						
45 - 50						
40 - 45	70,182,914		18%	12,282,010	\$400 B	
35 - 40						
30 - 35						
25 - 30	64,176,375		30%	19,252,912	\$300 B	
20 - 25	10,000,000				\$20 B	
15 - 20	44,211,683		14%	6,189,636	\$250 B	
10 - 15	14,000,000				\$30 B	
5 - 10	42,887,656		14%	6,004,272	\$250 B	
1 - 5	14,000,000				\$70 B	
Total Population:		309,500,000			\$2,000 B	
Female			Total Uninsured		49,786,877	
Male			% Uninsured		14.8%	

If Democrats are Elected



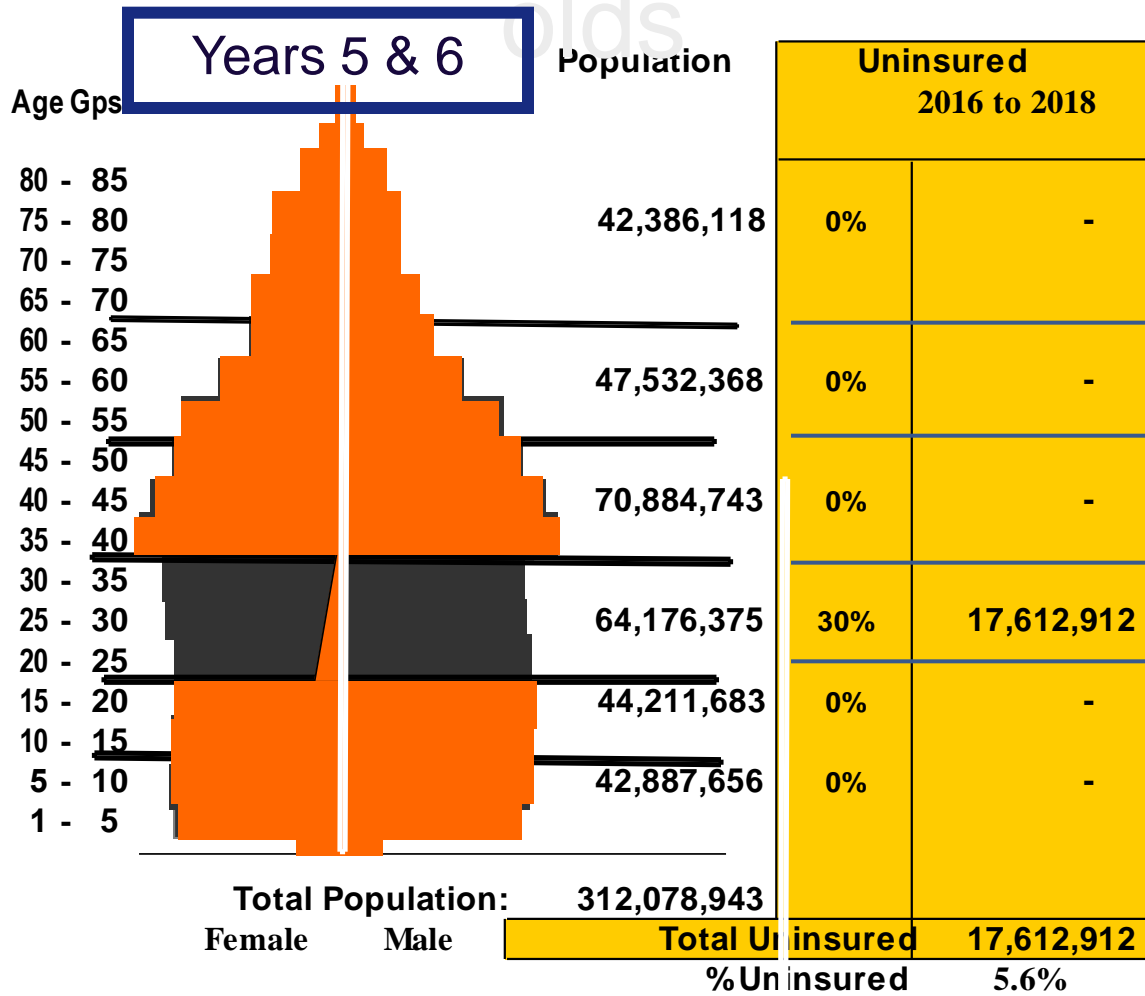
Reduces # of Uninsured Mothers & Children by 13.5 million

4a. In 2014: Add 50 to 65 year olds



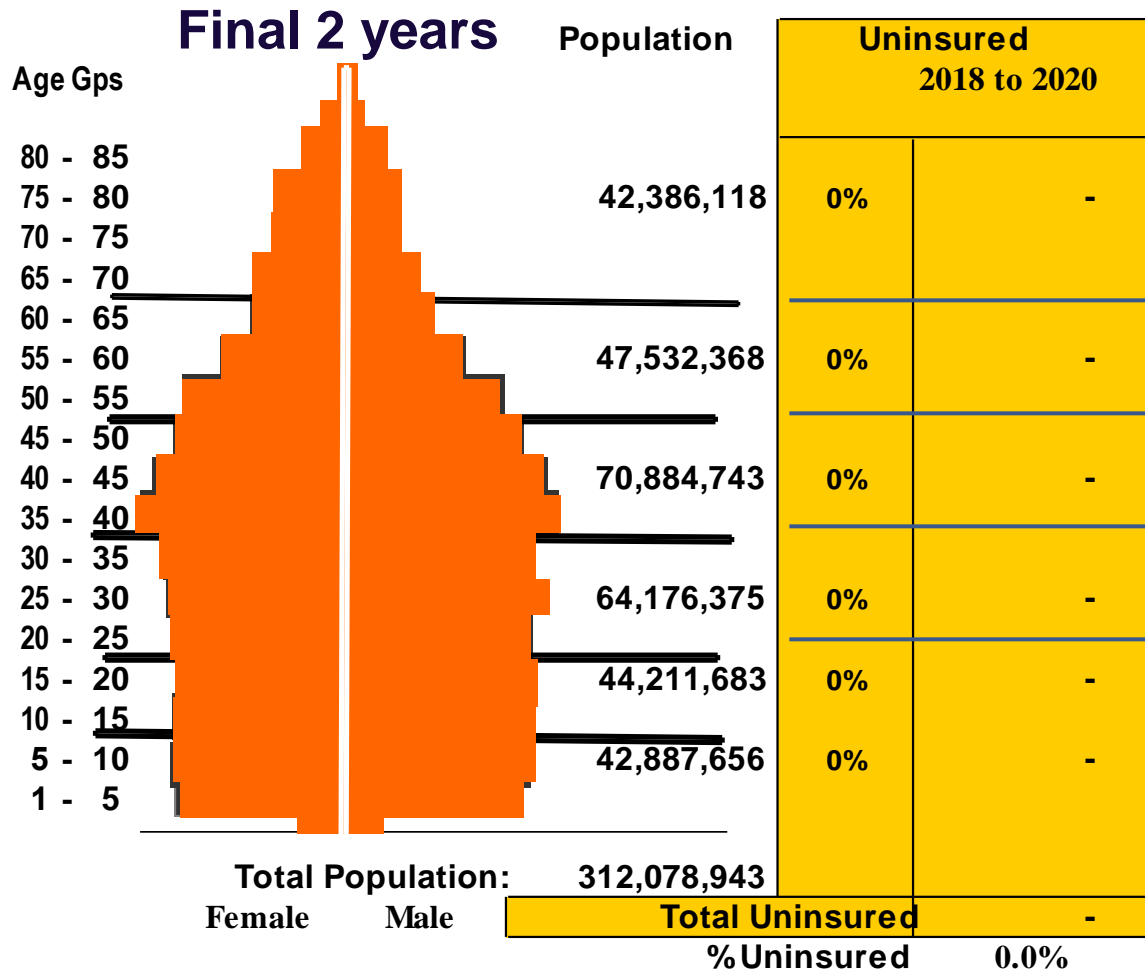
Total Reduction in Uninsured: 19,769,134

4b. In 2016: Add 35 to 50 year



Total Reduction in Uninsured: 32,173,964

4c. In 2018: Add 20 to 35 year olds



Total Reduction in Uninsured: 49,786,876