

NY Health Act No Pipe Dream (A.5248/S.3577)

The current jumble of healthcare plans has left millions of people without adequate or affordable healthcare. Single payer plans like the New York Health Act offer comprehensive healthcare coverage, including hearing aids, dental, vision, prescriptions and more to all, regardless of age, income, existing medical conditions, employment or immigration status. There are no premiums, co-pays, deductibles, out-of-pocket or out of network expenses, and you choose your own medical providers. Program cost is based on a graduated income scale. People with \$25,000 a year or less pay nothing at all. This is how the Affordable Care Act was supposed to work before the for-profit insurance industry wrecked it.

The NY Health Act is not an unaffordable pipedream. Financial analysis by UMASS/Amherst Economics Dept. Chairman Gerald Friedman found that 98% of New Yorkers will pay much less for a lot better healthcare under NY Health. Even with the greatly expanded coverage, there is a net savings for New York of \$45 billion a year.

The NY Health plan is a silver bullet cure for what ails our current healthcare system. With funding cutbacks and spiraling healthcare costs, when people can't afford the healthcare they need, we cannot allow this vital legislation, that will benefit so many, to be blocked by a special interest few. There is no room for profiteering in healthcare. We must pass the NY Health Act now. It will save lives, it will save money, and it's the right thing to do.

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