

# Ten Key Values

1. GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY
2. SOCIAL JUSTICE
3. ECOLOGICAL WISDOM
4. NONVIOLENCE
5. DECENTRALIZATION
6. ECONOMIC JUSTICE
7. GENDER EQUITY
8. RESPECT FOR DIVERSITY AND COOPERATION
9. PERSONAL AND GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY
10. FUTURE FOCUS

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Healthcare:  
Single Payer is  
the Only  
Answer

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## Major Parties Block Real Solutions to the Healthcare Crisis.

The major parties dusted off their healthcare proposals from the early 90s for the last election and presented them as their answer to the problem of so many people being without healthcare insurance in this country. They refused to admit to the American people that a Single Payer system is the only way to achieve universal coverage at a reasonable cost. Their failure to act is preventing a real debate from happening.

### What Is Single Payer?

A publicly financed and publicly administered health care insurance system available to all residents as a right of citizenship.

### Why Single Payer ?

**Lower premiums over a lifetime:** When the total program costs are divided by the population of the U.S., the per person cost is lower than if that person were part of a small group.

### **Buying in bulk:**

Per unit costs are lower when purchases are made in large quantities. The VA hospital system is a good example of this.

### **Lower administrative costs:**

Cut administrative costs as Medicare has done. Medicare spends about 2% of its costs on administration; private insurance companies spend over 20%.

### The Debate Begins with Single Payer.

Once we can agree that Single Payer is the method that we will use to provide universal healthcare, we then can begin the debate on how the system will be implemented. Every American should understand the choices and have a chance to speak out in support of his or her own self-interest and the interest of the nation as a whole.

### The Debate Should Be About How the Single Payer System Will Work.

Before Single Payer can be implemented, many questions will need to be answered, but first the American public will need to know:

**What will insurance cost per person?**  
**What will be covered?**  
**Who will define the standards of care?**  
**How will the system be paid for?**  
**How readily will the care be available?**

Each one of these questions has many possible answers. By giving voters a chance to understand the choices and by giving them a chance to reach consensus, we can develop a healthcare system that all Americans can support.

Let the politicians know you want Single Payer so that the real debate can begin.

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