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## **Trump Signs Executive Order to Ease Economic Burdens of Affordable Care Act**

*Citizens' Council for Health Freedom: Cabinet Has Been  
Unleashed to Free Americans from Obamacare Until Full Repeal*

**ST. PAUL, Minn.**—In his first few hours as President of the United States, Donald Trump on Friday signed an executive order that will minimize the economic burdens of the Affordable Care Act.

Twila Brase, president and co-founder of *Citizens' Council for Health Freedom (CCHF, [www.cchfreedom.org](http://www.cchfreedom.org))*, a national health freedom and patient advocacy organization that has long called for the repeal of Obamacare, released the following statement over the weekend.

*“With the stroke of a pen, President Trump has delivered on his promise to begin shutting down Obamacare,” she said. “Given that the Secretary of Health and Human Services is mentioned some 1,300 times in the law, President Trump has given his nominee for HHS Secretary, physician and Congressman Tom Price, broad license to use all possible administrative options and regulatory authority to neuter the Affordable Care Act.*

*“The Executive Order has a stunning paragraph that speaks freedom from end to end,” Brase added. “Trump authorizes all government agencies to: ‘waive, defer, grant exemptions from, or delay the implementation of any provision or requirement of the Act the would impose a fiscal burden on any State or a cost, fee, tax, penalty, or regulatory burden on individuals, families, healthcare providers, health insurers, patients, recipients of healthcare services, purchasers of health insurance, or makers of medical devices, products, or medications.’*

*“In short, Trump’s cabinet has been unleashed to free Americans from as much of Obamacare as possible until it can be fully repealed by Congress,” she concluded. “Seven years ago, Obamacare was declared the law of the land, and former President Obama claims it as his legacy achievement, but Trump said he’d move toward repealing Obamacare on ‘Day One,’ and he meant it. President Trump is showing America and the world his leadership, his resolve and his determination to bring Obamacare to an end.”*

CCHF has launched *The Wedge of Health Freedom ([www.JointheWedge.com](http://www.JointheWedge.com))* to restore simplicity, affordability, and confidentiality to health care. [Wedge practices](#), where patients can find affordable, patient-centered care, are located in 43 states and can be found online.

**CCHF** is a national patient-centered health freedom organization existing to protect health care choices, individualized patient care, and medical and genetic privacy rights. For more information about **CCHF**, visit its web site at [www.cchffreedom.org](http://www.cchffreedom.org), its [Facebook](#) page or its Twitter feed @CCHFFreedom. For more about **The Wedge of Health Freedom**, visit [www.JointheWedge.com](http://www.JointheWedge.com), **The Wedge** [Facebook](#) page or follow **The Wedge** on Twitter @wedgeoffreedom.

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*CCHF president and co-founder Twila Brase, R.N., has been called one of the “100 Most Powerful People in Health Care” and one of “Minnesota’s 100 Most Influential Health Care Leaders.” A public health nurse, Brase has been interviewed by CNN, Fox News, Minnesota Public Radio, NBC Nightly News, NBC’s Today Show, NPR, New York Public Radio, the Associated Press, Modern Healthcare, TIME, The Wall Street Journal, The Washington Post and The Washington Times, among others. She is at the forefront of informing the public of crucial health issues, such as intrusive wellness and prevention initiatives in Obamacare, patient privacy, informed consent, the dangers of “evidence-based medicine” and the implications of state and federal health care reform*

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