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**Is Your Doctor Really Your Doctor?**

Your doctor is probably not your doctor anymore. Your doctor is likely an employee of a hospital, insurer, or health care system. If so, your doctor does not work for you. This is like the vertical integration Bill and Hillary Clinton planned long ago, with health plans, hospitals, and doctors in a single HMO system.

Now Massachusetts’ highest court has allowed UnitedHealth Group, the country’s largest health plan, to acquire yet another group of doctors. The UnitedHealthCare plan is “the largest employer of clinicians in the nation, with more than 60,000 healthcare professions working” as employees. The health plan that pays the medical bills is controlling the doctors that order the medical care. Do you see the conflict of interest? We need a new system of health freedom. *Go to JointheWedge.com*

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