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Beware Single-Payer Statistics

A new study says Americans pay four times as much in health care administrative costs as Canadians. This may depend on how “administrative cost” is defined, but other key facts were not disclosed.

First, these are estimated costs. Second, Canada and America pay for care differently. Last year, the average Canadian family paid almost $13,000 in health care taxes whether they sought care or not. Americans can choose to be covered or to just pay as they go. Third, Americans receive nearly $1700 more in medical care per capita than Canadians. And fourth, some Canadians die waiting for care.

That said, Americans could trim administrative costs by going back to indemnity health insurance and paying cash for routine and minor care.

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