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The health plan Anthem earned $1 billion of profit in the first four months of 2018. “More than half of Anthem’s revenue comes from Medicare and Medicaid.” In short, taxpayers. Anthem is changing their payment strategy. More doctors and hospitals are getting paid only for “value” as defined by Anthem, not for actual services given. Obamacare and Medicare require this and other plans are doing it too.

So if your plan doesn’t value the services you need, or if you don’t improve, your doctor could be paid less or not at all. This is what happens when third parties pay your medical bills. They make the rules, not you or your doctor.


“Anthem Assumes ACA Cost-Sharing Payments Will Be Funded,” Bob Herman, Axios, April 26, 2018: https://www.axios.com/anthem-assumes-aca-cost-sharing-payments-will-be-funded-1513301854-838f3478-fa95-4472-8cef-07b6f3a4c6a2.html

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