Say No to the ACO

What is an ACO? ACO stands for Accountable Care Organization. Imagine a system that puts doctors and hospitals together under one contractual roof, costs millions to set up, and gets paid a bonus by health plans if it spends less on patient care.

Health plans will collect premiums, keep 15% for administration and hand over the rest to the ACO for hospitals and doctors to fight over. The ACO is Obamacare’s Shared Savings Program for Medicare. Patients will be forced into a specific ACO unless they refuse. They will be “attributed” to that ACO for the purpose of reporting savings. Please refuse. Protect yourself and help stop Obamacare.

“An Accountable Care Organization Administrator and Patient Dialog About Being in an ACO,” DMCareBlog, YouTube, Feb 1, 2011.