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Stop the Exchange

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase, president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

The Obamacare health insurance exchange has been called the ‘centerpiece’ -- the ‘glue’ -- of health reform.

If states refuse to build one, the Feds can step in and do it. This threat is being used to scare legislators and Governors into setting up the Obamacare exchange.

As spokesman for Ohio governor John Kasich says, “We cannot let the insurance exchange default to federal control…so we are moving forward with the planning that is required to make the exchange work best for Ohio.”

This is magical thinking. Exchanges must comply with Obamacare. States will have no control. The state exchange IS the federal exchange and the promise of state control is a Trojan horse. Stopping Obamacare will require stopping the Exchange.

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Article Excerpt: “In a February 24 letter to the nation’s governors, Sebelius extolled the four types of flexibility that Obamacare allows states in shaping their exchanges: 1) States can restrict insurers from participating; 2) states can add even more benefit mandates than Obamacare requires; 3) come 2017, states can opt out of Obamacare by creating a single-payer health-care system; and 4) states can adopt their own “governance structure” and “operational philosophy.” In sum, states can impose harsher regulations than Obamacare requires and can choose who sits on their exchange’s board. That’s it.”

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