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Insurers Ration Doctors

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

The nation’s largest health plans are selling plans that restrict access to doctors and hospitals—and employers are buying them for employees, according to the New York Times.

These limited access plans cost less, but may surprise those who thought ObamaCare would retain health care choices.

Like the hated HMO of old, if you want to keep your own doctor or go outside the network you’ll pay more. Sometimes the entire bill. What if there’s only one allergist or one cardiologist or one hospital in the network? What if you can’t get an appointment for months? What if the only clinic is thirty miles away?

ObamaCare will add 30 million patients and insurers are selling plans with less doctors. Can you spell rationing?

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