



Citizens' Council for Health Freedom (CCHF) exists to protect patient and doctor freedom.

Recognized as the leading free-market voice for patient-centered care and medical privacy rights, CCHF's primary focus is health care policy, with an emphasis on freedom and free-market principles. For over two decades, CCHF has been a powerful force in promoting the mission of health freedom by providing public resources, monitoring state and federal legislation, and testifying and organizing support for legislative proposals.



INITIATIVES

Patient Privacy and HIPAA

Did you know that HIPAA does NOT protect your privacy? It is actually a permissible data sharing rule, designed to give powerful entities and the government access to your health information. At CCHF, patient privacy is a cornerstone policy issue.

Health Insurance Exchange

Health Insurance Exchanges, like Obamacare, are key to implementing large-scale health care reform – but they threaten individual choice, privacy, freedom, and your wallet. CCHF urges Americans to refuse to enroll and to learn more about why exchanges are a problem.

Real ID and Federal Control

CCHF is opposed to the federal government's push to federalize driver's licenses and IDs, ending state sovereignty over citizen identification, movement, and access to and purchase of goods and services. These services may include medical services.

Socialized Medicine

The goal of socialized medicine in the U.S. is to implement public option Medicare for all, and the proliferation of HMOs and health plans have proven that this goal is within reach. CCHF fights tirelessly against the march towards socialized medicine.

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RESOURCES

Model State Legislation

The CCHF Model State Legislation Library was designed to provide state policymakers with model legislation protecting patient rights, individual freedom of choice, medical privacy, and affordable access to care. The language of each proposal has been written as a template for ready adoption or easy adaptation in any state.



Patient Tool Box

CCHF's Patient Toolbox is dedicated to you – the patient. Use the Patient Toolbox in the exam room, at the hospital, and from the comfort of your home to protect your rights, understand your options, and maintain control over your treatment decisions. This powerful resource can be easily accessed via our website homepage.



Patient
Toolbox

National Reports

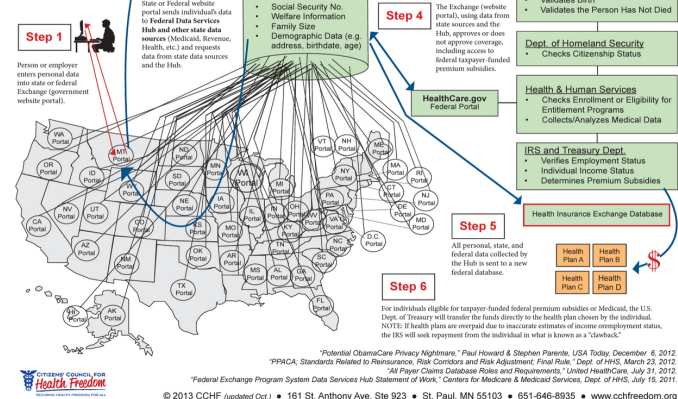
CCHF's National Reports are a starting point for those seeking more information about national health care policy topics in the news. From exposing HIPAA and other ways the federal government erodes medical privacy to coverage of what's happening on Capitol Hill, CCHF's National Reports are a way to better understand complex health care issues.



The Obamacare Machine

National Exchange System to Transfer Dollars and to Track and Transfer Insurance/Financial Data

"the largest consolidation of personal data in the history of the republic" USA Today



The Obamacare Machine

Think you know everything about Obamacare and the Affordable Care Act (ACA)? Think again!

Obamacare is **not** private insurance, it is a government program. The Obamacare Machine illustration (above) demonstrates how this National Exchange System transfers money and tracks and transfers insurance and your important financial data.

CCHF encourages Americans to refuse to enroll in Obamacare. Although exchange supporters encourage insured individuals and families to try to find lower-cost taxpayer-subsidized coverage on the government exchange, there is no reason to change coverage if an individual or family currently has private health insurance that meets federal requirements.

The Wedge of Health Freedom®

Recently, CCHF has begun to build a new framework for health freedom in the United States. **The Wedge of Health Freedom®** is not a form of coverage or a substitute for insurance. The focus of The WEDGE is interference-free personalized care. Payment is cash-based, and it affords patients and doctors the ability to escape the restrictions and intrusions of managed care (health plans). Learn more about this powerful initiative, a free-trade zone for health care, by visiting jointhewedge.com.



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Big Brother in the Exam Room

Big Brother in the Exam Room by Twila Brase is a deep dive into serious dangers lurking behind the government's \$30 billion electronic health record experiment. This omnipresent technology turns doctors into data clerks and shifts attention from patients to paperwork — while health plans, government agencies, and the health data industry profit. Patients who think the HIPAA "privacy" rule protects the confidentiality of their medical information will be shocked to discover it makes their medical records an open book.



To learn more about CCHF, our initiatives, and our resources, visit cchffreedom.org.