Equal Healthcare for All! No Vouchers! No Insurance Companies!

We Demand Single-Payer!

"...of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane." - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Obama health advisor and Bioethics Professor Ezekiel Emanuel has a lot of nerve promoting his plan for "universal healthcare" by giving people vouchers to buy private insurance for "basic" coverage, and letting those who can afford it buy better coverage on their own! Here's how he described it to PBS's *NOW* program:

"Our proposal is for universal healthcare vouchers. It's a plan where everybody in America gets a voucher to buy health insurance from an insurance company or health plan or a managed care organization. And they get a basic benefits package. If they want to buy more, they want—wider choice of doctors, they want better services, say, better eye glass services, or they want more mental health services, they can pay more and they can buy up."

So as the economy unravels and we lose jobs, income, and health coverage, and as we pay more for food, utilities, and healthcare, Emanuel brazenly advocates that most of us get "basic" coverage from vouchers, while the rich, who can afford it, get all they want.

And who's supposed to pay the billions for these vouchers, which are really subsidies to the insurers? Emanuel says *WE* should pay from our own pockets with a 12% sales tax, while employers, who profit off our work, would no longer pay anything! The plans:

Single-Payer Healthcare (SB 840 in California, HR 676 in US)	The Emanuel Plan
Everyone receives equal treatment.	Different levels of care for different classes of people.
Business pay its share of society's health costs.	Business unloads health costs onto working families.
Billions saved, and money goes to good healthcare for everyone.	Billions spent, and money goes for insurance company profits.
Establishes one streamlined agency to pay for medical care.	Keeps a bureaucratic jungle of insur- ers, who try to avoid paying for care, PLUS eliminate Medicare & Medicaid!

We demand Single-Payer Healthcare: Equal, Comprehensive, Accessible, Affordable Healthcare for every single person, paid for by a publicly accountable government agency. No Health Insurance Companies!

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