

## WHAT CAN I DO?

Please join thousands of other Oregonians in supporting HCAO.

- Give to HCAO by mailing a check to: 619 SW 11th, Suite 121, Portland OR 97205 or donate at [www.hcao.org](http://www.hcao.org).
- If you want your donation to be tax deductible, make your check out to HCAO-Education Fund and mail it to: 619 SW 11th, Suite 121, Portland OR 97205
- Ask your organization (faith community, labor union, neighborhood group, etc.) to become a member of the HCAO coalition
- Contact us at [info@hcao.org](mailto:info@hcao.org) about
  - joining or starting an HCAO group in your area
  - hosting a house party to raise awareness and funds
  - getting involved in one of our ongoing projects (photo petitions, healthcare survey, story project)
- To sign up for email alerts and newsletters visit our Web site.

[www.hcao.org](http://www.hcao.org)

<http://www.facebook.com/HealthCareForAllOregon>

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**Health Care for All - Oregon (HCAO)** is a coalition of almost a hundred organizations representing labor, health care professionals, faith communities, and groups of diverse citizen activists around the state.

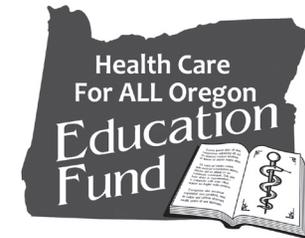
We are working to create a comprehensive, equitable, publicly funded, high-quality, universal health care system serving everyone in Oregon and in the United States.

Like police and fire protection, good schools and clean water, health care is something we all need. Until we all have access to high-quality care, we aren't living up to our American ideal of a just society.



**Find a complete list of groups around Oregon taking part in this campaign, and other details, at [www.hcao.org](http://www.hcao.org)**

# Health Care for **ALL** Oregon



**We all need health care  
Too many of us can't afford it**  
*(And your insurance covers less than you think)*

*"Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the most shocking and inhumane."*

— Martin Luther King Jr. , 1966

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## The Problem

- While the Affordable Care Act has benefited millions with new health care coverage, the Congressional Budget Office estimates that 30 million people will remain uninsured. We can do better!
- We continue to see our health care dollars, and ever more tax dollars, used to inflate big insurance company profits and huge CEO payouts.
- 60% of bankruptcies are triggered by health care costs—and most of the people filing had health insurance.
- You—and your doctor's office—spend far too much time dealing with insurance paperwork.
- Other industrialized countries provide health care to *everyone* for about half what Americans pay, per person.
- When health insurance is provided through your job, losing your job can literally be life-threatening.



## The Solution

- **A publicly funded health care system that provides access to health care to *everyone*.**
- The choice of doctor will be yours to make.
- Doctors will be able to treat their patients without fear of denial by an insurance company.
- No one will have to choose between buying medicines or paying the rent.
- We will spend our health care dollars less wastefully and more effectively.

**Oregon physicians are among the 59% of American doctors who want a publicly funded health care system.**

*Oregon would save about \$4 billion a year by cutting the administrative costs of private health insurance. This is more than enough to provide comprehensive care for every Oregonian.*



## PRINCIPLES

**Universality:** *Everyone in, nobody out.*

**Equity:** Health care resources and services must be distributed and accessed according to people's needs.

**Accountability:** The health care system must be accountable to the people it serves.

**Transparency** in the health care system of all information, decision making, and management.

**Participation** by the public in decisions.

**Public Good:** Health care, like education and public safety is a fundamental part of a just society.