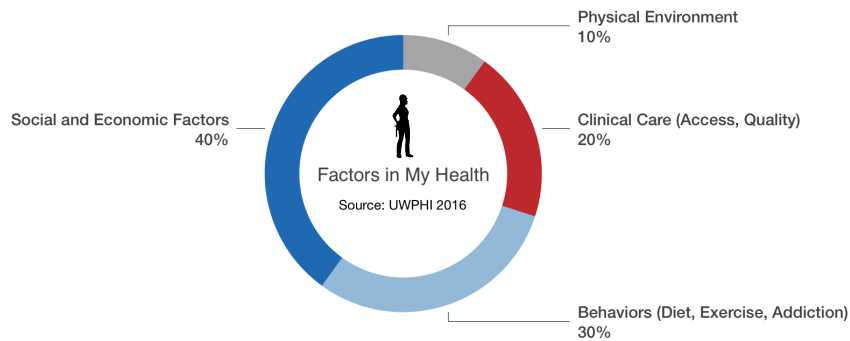


# A New Way Forward on Healthcare for All Americans



## Your health is more than your healthcare



Improve the **American Scorecard** to reflect health and happiness

Why use GDP as a proxy for how Americans are doing, when we can measure well-being directly?

Start using a wider index that measures monetary and **human** indicators, such as (but not limited to):

Quality of Life

Life Expectancy

National Optimism

Substance Abuse

Environmental Quality

### Social and economic (40%)

#### Freedom Dividend

\$1000/mo universal basic income for all American adults, no strings attached. Stacks with many existing benefits.

A UBI experiment in Canada saw hospitalization rates decrease by 8.5%. Numerous studies show mental and physical health improvements.

### Behaviors (30%)

#### 100+ Policies

Autism intervention  
Free financial and marriage counseling  
Hate speech  
Opioid crisis  
Veteran suicide  
And more

### Clinical care (20%)

#### Medicare for All

- Address costs, then access
- Invest in technical innovations
- Change incentive structure
- Shift focus to prevention
- Holistically look at well-being
- Diminish lobbying influence

### Physical environment (10%)

#### 100+ Policies

Climate  
Food security  
Housing  
Strong communities  
Transportation  
And more

## Medicare for All

### Good for humanity



#### All citizens

Healthcare not tied to an employer or job

Better mobility and bargaining power

Flexibility to adapt to life circumstances, when paired with Freedom Dividend...

Be a stay-at-home parent, caregiver, volunteer, full-time student or artist, or pursue entrepreneurial dreams



#### Salaried workers

More money in paycheck immediately

Negotiate higher salary because costing employer less (no health benefits)



#### Hourly, contract, and gig workers

Affordable care, including preventative

Stable healthcare quality and costs, doesn't depend on private companies offering plans yearly in a public marketplace

### Good for business



#### All entrepreneurs, owners, and managers

Safety net for becoming self-employed

Easier to start and grow a business

More money in the local economy

No longer paying employee health benefits

Can offer higher salaries (not paying for healthcare)

Flexibility to offer differentiated private health plans as a perk to attract talent



#### Healthcare providers

Streamline and reduce paperwork

Focus more on preventative care

See downward cost pressure on commodities (drugs, devices, supplies) as M4A program grows in negotiating power

Health outcomes in American Scorecard

Innovative technology, such as telehealth for remote areas

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## Medicare for All

Baseline care for all, with affordable co-pays

It's your citizenship right, not a health plan you have to buy into

Freedom to keep private insurance if prefer (see Australia's system)

### A sensible transition

"To be clear, I support the spirit of Medicare for All, and have since the first day of this campaign. I do believe that swiftly reformatting 18% of our economy and eliminating private insurance for millions of Americans is not a realistic strategy, so we need to provide a new way forward on healthcare for all Americans."



#### Private role

##### Private insurance companies

Shrink private health plans incrementally

Develop niche private plans to supplement or replace them, based on market demand

See downward cost pressure on commodities (drugs, devices, supplies) as M4A program grows in negotiating power



#### Public role

##### US government

Grow public health plan (M4A) incrementally

Demonstrate and increase competence based on experience and data, attracting more and more citizens to M4A

Boost negotiating power to drive down costs, incentivize healthy outcomes, and diminish profiteering (lobbying, ads, price hikes, etc.)

Streamline and reduce paperwork compared to patchwork public/private marketplace

### We're already paying for it

"We are having the wrong conversation on healthcare."

Instead of addressing the underlying problems driving unaffordability and access, we Democrats are spending all our time arguing over who is the most zealous in wanting to cover Americans. Over who has wanted to do so longer. Over who cares more about the health of Americans.

We talk about how we're going to pay for it, but **the reality is we're already paying for it**. We pay for it when we can't switch jobs. We pay for it when new jobs are temp or gig jobs that don't provide healthcare. We pay for it when all of our prices are higher. We pay for it when healthcare costs drive us into bankruptcy...

As Democrats, we all believe in healthcare as a human right. We all want to make sure there is universal affordable coverage. We know we have a broken healthcare system where Americans spend more money on healthcare to worse results. But, we are spending too much time fighting over the differences between Medicare for All, "Medicare for All Who Want It," and ACA expansion when we should be focusing on the biggest problems that are driving up costs and taking lives."

*Andrew Yang, presidential candidate*

## Find more information online

**Yang 2020 Site > Policies > Medicare for All** — <https://www.yang2020.com/policies/medicare-for-all/>

Moving Forward Podcast, Episodes 78, 79, 80 — **A Three-Part Series on Yang Healthcare Policy**

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