



Who knew health care could be so complicated?

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| 1 | Gatekeeper, in HMOs | 42 | ___-masochist | 3 | Soften blows | 33 | Star___ |
| 4 | Reviews NDAs and ANDAs | 43 | Final month of 59 Across, abbr. | 4 | Determines Medicaid thresholds, but redundant | 36 | Personal bests |
| 7 | Atul Gawande's safe space? | 44 | Incentive to spend more carefully | 5 | Recently invoked to due to the pandemic | 38 | Cutting Medicare benefits, politically |
| 12 | Palin called it a death panel | 47 | Program that regulates testing labs | 6 | Facilities with <24-hour stays | 41 | Precedes an interesting fact on Twitter |
| 14 | 1983 change to hospital payment | 48 | "Ugh!" | 7 | Often comes with 44 Across | 45 | Zeros |
| 15 | Current head of CMS | 49 | Not quite non-parametric | 8 | High impact in economics and medicine | 46 | Lobby for health insurers |
| 16 | Vehicle for tax-free spending? | 52 | Acronym for a lengthy admission, perhaps | 9 | Rawls' curtain? | 49 | Settings whose coverage depends on a "3-day rule" |
| 18 | Equality (in benefits) | 54 | Male helpers? | 10 | ___LA | 50 | State yet to expand Medicaid, abbr. out loud |
| 19 | Induce demand | 59 | ___Sebelius | 11 | No's | 51 | Part of a high school fitness test |
| 20 | ___TUS | 61 | When the pathologist was actually out-of-network | 13 | Two E's? | 53 | Its recipients qualify for Medicare after 2 years |
| 22 | Unfortunately | 63 | Fellowship dude? | 17 | 200 in ancient Rome | 55 | MDs and PhDs |
| 23 | "Break a ___!" | 64 | World-renowned, hip doctor | 18 | Slang for police | 56 | Mine, Sp. |
| 25 | Marketplace enrollment on Nov 1 | 65 | Order | 21 | Crashed | 57 | Entitled to Medicare, after 1972 |
| 27 | Plan for gaming werewolves? | 66 | Catch some Z's | 24 | Researchers hope to, after a long run? | 58 | Brooklyn ballers |
| 33 | Saturn moon, but without vowels | 67 | Brew of medical groups? | 26 | Water, Fr. | 60 | Hospital P4P measure |
| 34 | And colleagues | 68 | Spread stats | 27 | ICD-10 Codes I21 to I23 | 62 | Followed by "excuse me" |
| 35 | Subtract? | | | 28 | Young and uninsured | | |
| 36 | Prior, shortened | | | 29 | Drumming of fingers | | |
| 37 | 34 Across, for example | | | 30 | It's guaranteed by Obamacare | | |
| 39 | This, Sp. | | | 31 | Nothing, casually | | |
| 40 | Fed gov't will have to do with risk corridor payments | | | 32 | Payments that support residents | | |

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| 1 | Where little lives are saved |
| 2 | Breathing machine, but for sleep apnea |