TSC Urges President to Grant All Americans a Health Care Waiver

The Obama Administration has issued over 1,100 “waivers” to companies and even the state of Maine exempting them from various aspects of the new Health Control Law.

“This is an outrage,” says The Seniors Coalition’s President and CEO Dr. Joseph Bridges. “Labor Unions especially are benefitting from these waivers while the rest of America must suffer under this monstrous law.”

All of the labor unions that have received waivers from the government supported Obamacare and many, if not all, openly demanded that Congress pass the highly unpopular measure.

“Repealing Obamacare is more important than ever,” explains Bridges. “These crooks are working overtime to build a two-tier medical system in which politically-connected groups get to keep their private health care plans while the rest of America is being dumped into this government-run mess.”

TSC is actively lobbying Congress to repeal Obamacare or, at the very least, to defund large parts of it. Recent public opinion polls show that the American people still over-

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TSC Urges Members to Help Kill Off Berwick Nomination

Donald Berwick’s tenure as head of Medicare will come to an end this year,” promises TSC President and CEO Dr. Joseph Bridges. “We are going to kill off his nomination in the Senate.

Berwick, the highly controversial head of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, was installed in that post through a Presidential recess appointment after his regular nomination ran into trouble in the U.S. Senate. That recess appointment expires at the end of this year so President Obama has once again sought Senate approval for a regular appointment for Berwick.

“We helped bottle up Berwick’s first nomination and we are going to drive that man from office this year,” a determined Bridges vows. “There is no way Donald Berwick will remain as head of Medicare past December.”

Berwick’s unflinching support for rationing health care, especially for senior citizens and his admiration for Great Britain’s infamous National Health Service has made him one of the Administration’s most controversial-

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Government-Induced Inflation Could Hit Seniors Hard-
TSC Continues Effort to Reform CoLAs

Recent government figures report that inflation is back with a vengeance and America’s seniors will pay a terrible price. “The free-spending policies of Barack Obama and the easy money schemes of Federal Reserve Board Chairman Ben Bernanke have reigned inflation,” warns TSC President and CEO Dr. Joseph Bridges. “Seniors on fixed incomes are going to be hit really hard this year.”

Americans can expect to pay an incredible $70 billion more for food and energy this year. Food prices in February jumped an incredible 3.9%, the largest such increase since 1974. However, the Obama Administration still claims that there is no inflation and that senior citizens do not deserve a Cost-of-Living Adjustment to their Social Security benefits.

“TSC is continuing our efforts to reform the CoLA system and to force Congress to reinstate this year’s CoLA that was cancelled by President Obama,” explains Bridges. “People are suffering and everything we hear indicates that inflation is only going to get worse. “ The Coalition is mailing petitions to millions of senior citizens across the country and asking them to join TSC in lobbying for a reinstatement of this year’s CoLA. ▲

We Need Your Stories!

How have President Obama’s cuts to Medicare affected you? We would like to reprint some of the stories our members have about the recent changes to Medicare. Has your favorite doctor stopped seeing Medicare patients? Has Medicare’s customer service gotten worse? Write us with your thoughts and stories at:

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We seem to be approaching a stalemate on Capitol Hill. The President and his allies in the U.S. Senate refuse to even consider repealing Obamacare and efforts to simply pass a budget for the federal government are going absolutely nowhere as I write this.

The President will not even entertain the idea of trying to save Social Security or reform Medicare.

So, we have this awful stalemate between reformers who understand our nation is facing numerous economic and fiscal crises and a President who believes his job is to hold “beer summits,” host lavish parties and travel around the world bad-mouthing America.

It is certainly frustrating. However, the morale at The Seniors Coalition couldn’t be higher.

You see, our membership list is growing and poll after poll shows that the American people are on our side on the issues. From repealing Obamacare to abolishing the Death Tax to protecting Social Security from the thieving politicians we are on the same page as ordinary Americans.

So, rest assured, we here at TSC will be here, fighting for you . . . even if the President once again goes off on one of his infamous taxpayer-paid vacations!

Dr. Joseph L. Bridges
President & CEO
The Seniors Coalition
Call Congress – Demand Medicare Choice!

No matter what the politicians say, Medicare is in real trouble. And that is very bad news for America’s seniors. An increasing number of doctors are refusing to treat Medicare patients because the government refuses to pay them a fair fee. Meanwhile, in Washington, government bureaucrats are implementing a scheme to save the government money by rationing care to the elderly. The only way to protect America’s seniors is to reform Medicare and allow senior citizens more personal control over their Medicare benefits.

TSC supports reforming Medicare to allow Americans to have more direct control over how their Medicare dollars are spent. Under such a plan, beneficiaries would have the ability to shop around and choose the private health care plan that best fits their needs and to pay for that plan with Medicare dollars. The goal is to help control costs by allowing seniors to shop around while cutting out the government “middle man” as much as possible.

Medicare Advantage plans work in this basic fashion but President Obama and his liberal allies have been working to undercut these highly popular plans.

Please call your elected representatives in Washington, D.C. at (202) 224-3121 and tell them you want Medicare to be reformed and that you want more choices and less government! ▲

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whelmingly want the law repealed. However, Democrats in the Senate are blocking repeal efforts. TSC’s lobbying efforts are geared toward breaking the logjam in the Senate.

“We need to explain to everyone in America, and especially senior citizens, how corrupt this whole process is,” Bridges says. “This whole Obamacare implementation process is proving just how terrible government-controlled health care is. As the American people learn about these waivers and the backroom deals going on, they will be even more enraged. Maybe then we can finally abolish the Health Control Law.” ▲

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sional nominees. Most famously, Berwick once declared, “The decision is not whether or not we will ration care — the decision is whether we will ration with our eyes open.”

Despite opposition on Capitol Hill and from grassroots groups like TSC, President Obama seems determined to ram Berwick’s nomination through the Senate. “I stand by my prediction,” Bridges says. “No matter how many arms he twists, no matter how many speeches attacking people like me he gives, President Obama will not be able to save this nomination. Donald Berwick’s nomination is going down.” ▲

The President is still standing behind his appointment of Donald Berwick as head of Medicare despite massive public opposition. TSC is working hard to kill Berwick’s nomination.
Why Your Membership Matters

The Seniors Coalition’s strength and influence comes from its members. The larger TSC’s membership roll, the more feared the Coalition is on Capitol Hill. The most common question a Member of Congress or staffer asks TSC is, “How many members do you have?” Be sure to renew your membership and ask your friends and associates to join TSC. Just by signing up you can help make a real difference in Washington, D.C.

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