

AMERICA'S BROKEN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM:

***WHEN WE'RE NOT PART OF
THE SOLUTION, WE'RE PART
OF THE PROBLEM***

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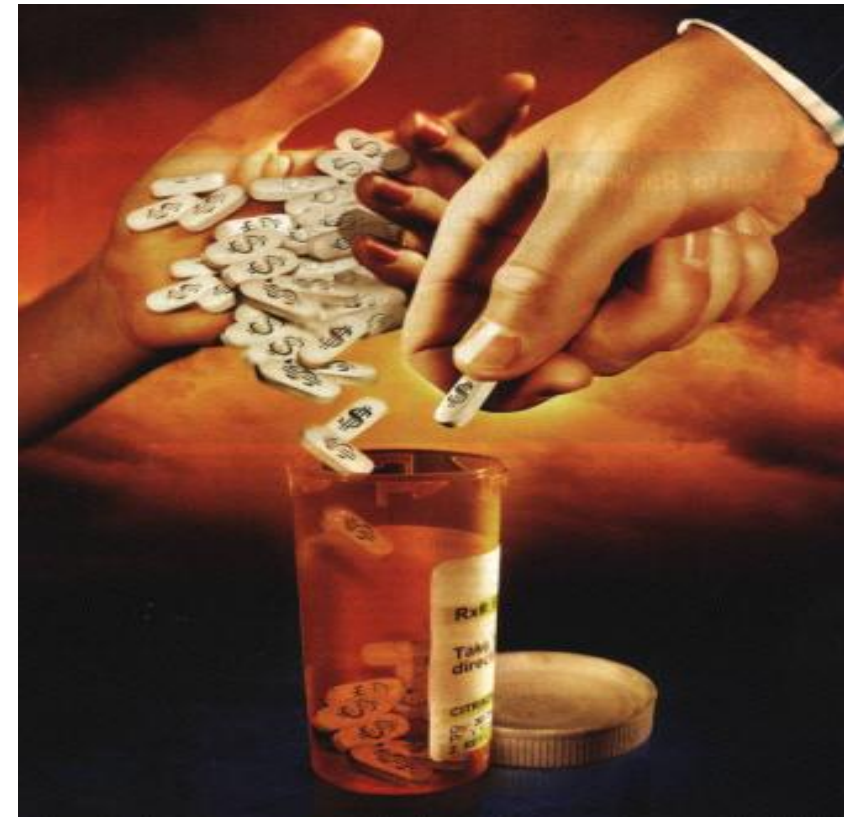
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HEALTH CARE DELIVERY PRESENTS OPPORTUNITIES . . . & CHALLENGES!

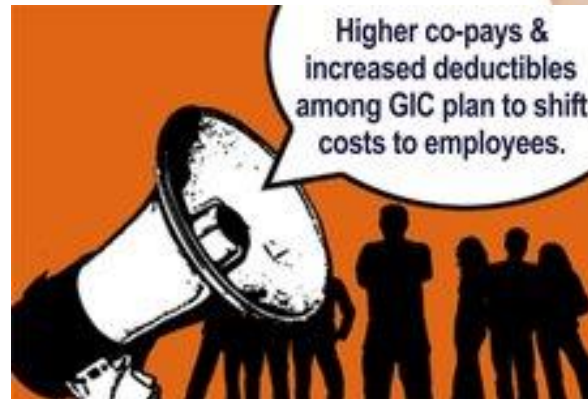
BASIC HEALTH CARE COSTS

- **US will spend $>$ \$3.3 trillion on health care in 2018**
- **$>$ 17.9% of GDP**
- **No other nation spends $>$ 12% of GDP on health care**

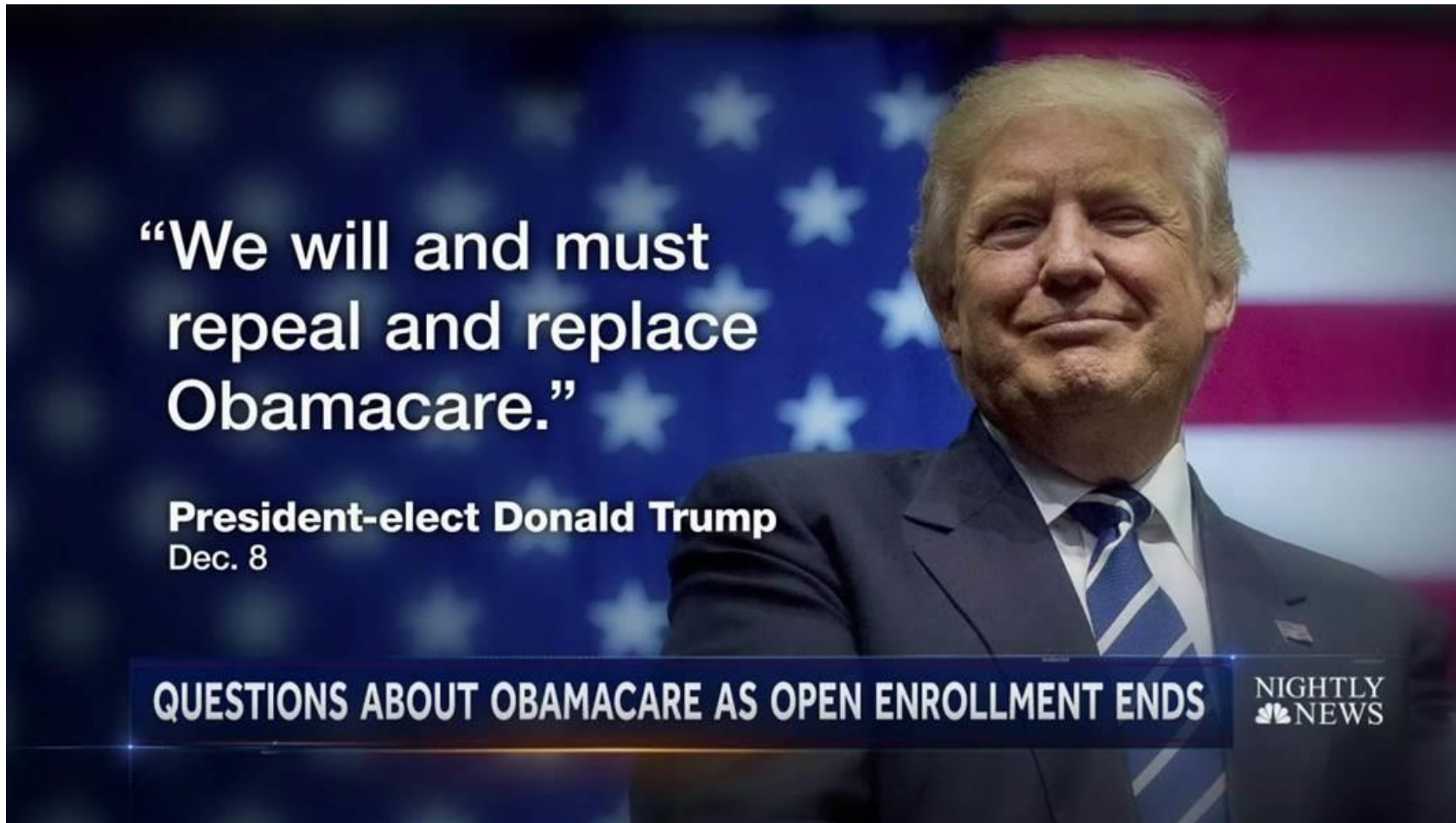


US Maxing Out on % of GDP It's Willing to Devote to Health Care

- **Exhibit A:** Growing # of employers cutting back on health ins benefits
- **Exhibit B:** Growing # of employers shifting costs to employees
- **Exhibit C:** States determined to add work requirements for Medicaid

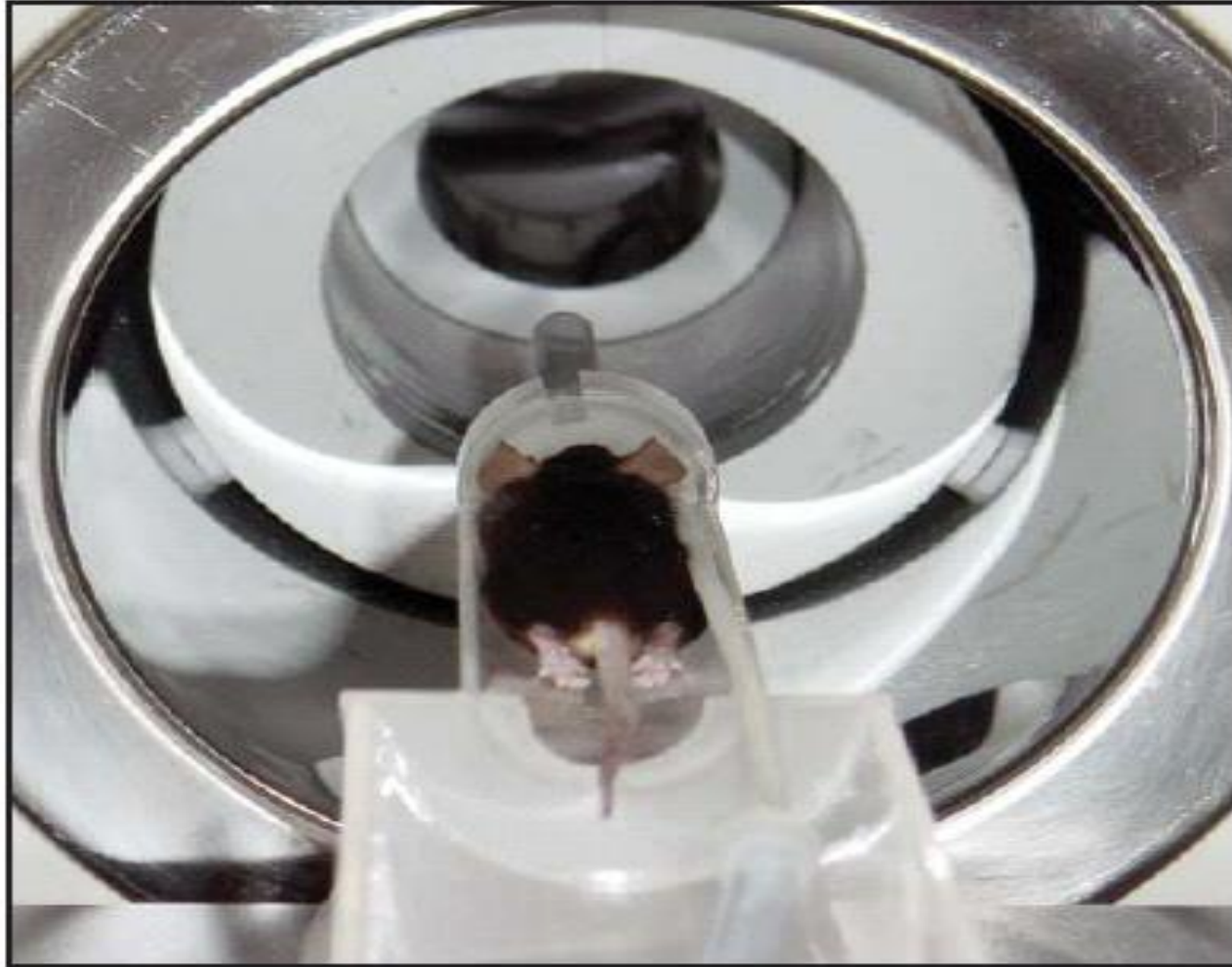


Obamacare Backlash



**WHAT DO WE GET
FOR ALL THE \$\$ WE
DO SPEND ON
HEALTH CARE?**

MRI SCANNERS FOR MICE



AND FOR THE HUMAN PATIENTS:

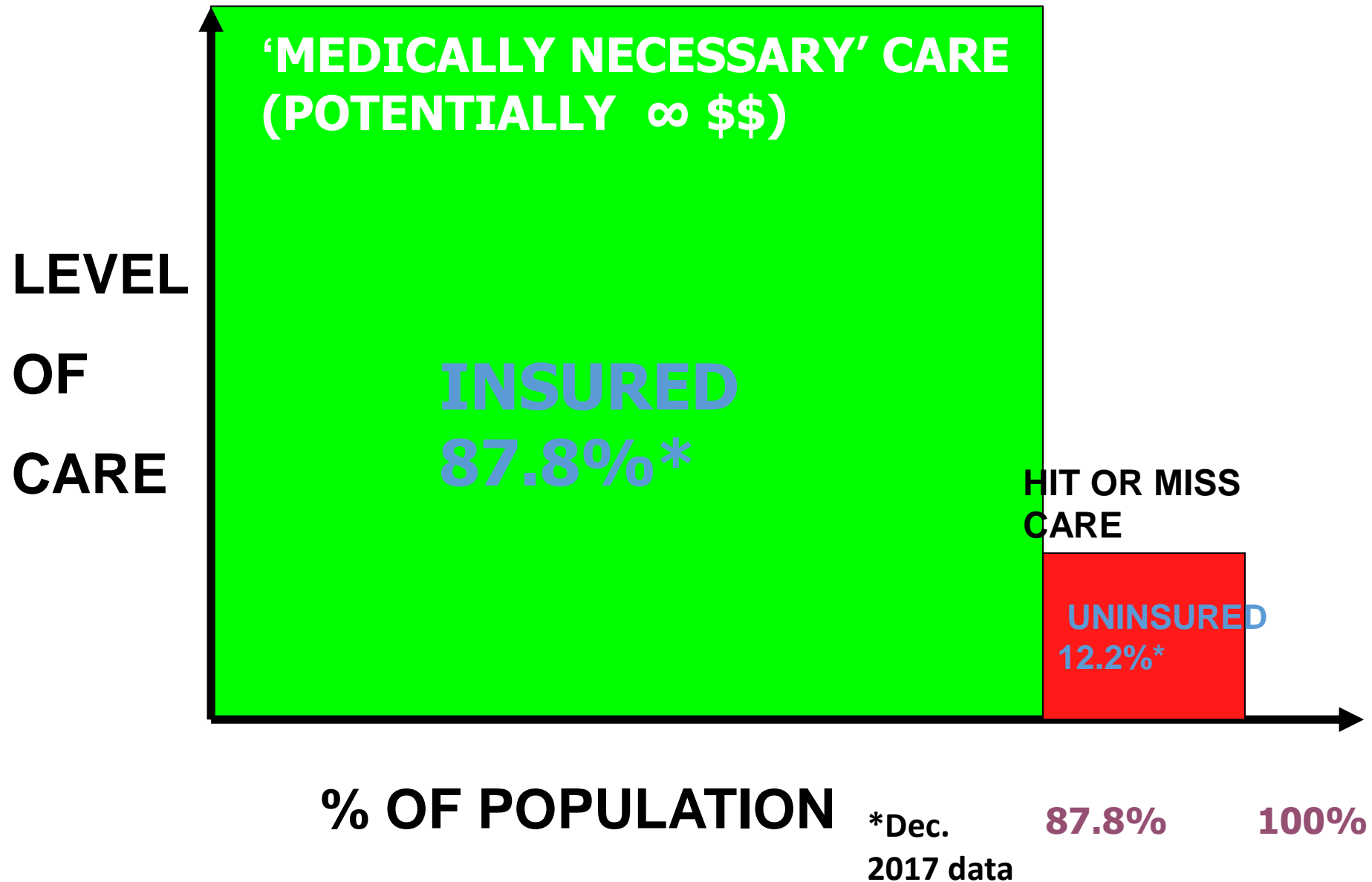
- **US morbidity & mortality indices no better than most other OECD countries; many significantly worse**



- **US Infant mortality = 5.8 deaths/1,000 live births; OECD average = 3.2 deaths (2015)**
- **US life expectancy = 78.8 years; OECD average = > 79 years (2016)**



WHY SUCH POOR RESULTS?



ALL BIG HEALTH SECTOR PLAYERS BEAR RESPONSIBILITY

- PROVIDERS



- PATIENTS



- INSURERS (incl. govt)



- DRUG COMPANIES (& other medical suppliers)



- THE MEDIA

