

Medicare

#4 DELISTING

No care or patchwork care

Facts and Insights

⊙ Delisting violates the core of our Medicare: that every single Canadian, no matter what illness you have, no matter how much money you have in the bank, no matter where you live, you are guaranteed to get the best medical care available.

⊙ Delisting means cutting Medicare services. This means some services will be provided in a private system. This means a two-tier health care system in which rich people can buy care and poor and working people get no care.

⊙ When some provinces proceed with delisting and others do not, we get a system of patchwork care across Canada. This means the care you get depends on where you live.

⊙ The original vision of our Medicare was a COMPREHENSIVE health system that covered ALL medically necessary services. When Medicare was introduced, Tommy Douglas said that coverage for hospital and physician care was only the first step and that Medicare must eventually be expanded to cover all health needs including pharmacare and home care.

Obvious Conclusions

⊙ If Provincial governments proceed with the delisting of services, the federal government must step in and enforce the Canada Health Act.

*Our Medicare celebrates
the triumph of solid values
AND sensible economics!*

TAKE Action

Speak out for the good of your health. No one can do everything—but every single one of us can do something.

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