

MEDICARE WORKS

Keep it public. Keep it fair.

Cross-country Town Hall Meetings

October 18 to December 5, 2006

National Medicare Week

Call or meet your MPs
November 13 to 18, 2006

WE CAN'T AFFORD PRIVATE HEALTH CARE



Heart Attack

Intensive care room: \$8,000 to \$12,000/day

Angioplasty: \$6,000 to \$7,000

ECG: \$280 to \$360

Cardiac catheterization: \$40,278 to \$63,558

Defibrillator implant: \$27,000 to \$35,000*

Average annual insurance premium
for family coverage: \$11,480

*Range of prices from US hospital price lists, in US dollars

FOR PROFIT, NOT FOR HEALTH

Canadians built a public health care system so that all people would have equal access to care. Care based on need. Not on the size of our wallet.

But now, our system is under attack by those who want a two-tier, for-profit system. More private clinics. More private insurance. More private hospitals. Top-quality services for those who can pay, less access for the rest of us.

There is no evidence anywhere that private insurance and for-profit health services shorten waiting lists.

JOIN US

Join us as we advocate innovation and improvement within the public system.

Courage my friends, it's not too late to build a better world.

-Tommy Douglas

COME TO YOUR COMMUNITY'S TOWN HALL

Join doctors, health care specialists and social movement leaders as we push for innovation and improvement within the public system.

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