

THE ENDLESS OBAMACARE DEBATE: WHAT IS IT REALLY ABOUT?

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- ❖ General interest in U.S. health system
 - ✧ *Opportunity to evaluate specific policies for Canada*
- ❖ Examine how unarticulated issues can impact debate
- ❖ Discuss how to address unarticulated issues





MONITORING POPULATION HEALTH: WHAT CAN ONTARIO AND NEW YORK LEARN FROM EACH OTHER?

Beyond sharing a common border, the province of Ontario and the state of New York also share, perhaps surprisingly, similar health system challenges and objectives. Both are engaged in high profile initiatives to transform their health care systems into integrated, sustainable, outcomes-based, and people-centered systems. This panel will explore what these two jurisdictions can learn from each other about monitoring the health of their populations in order to facilitate more ambitious health reform agendas.

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- ❖ Brief overview of U.S. health system and ACA
- ❖ Insights from the ObamaCare debate
- ❖ What the debate tells us about U.S. politics
- ❖ Discussion

Motivation behind ACA

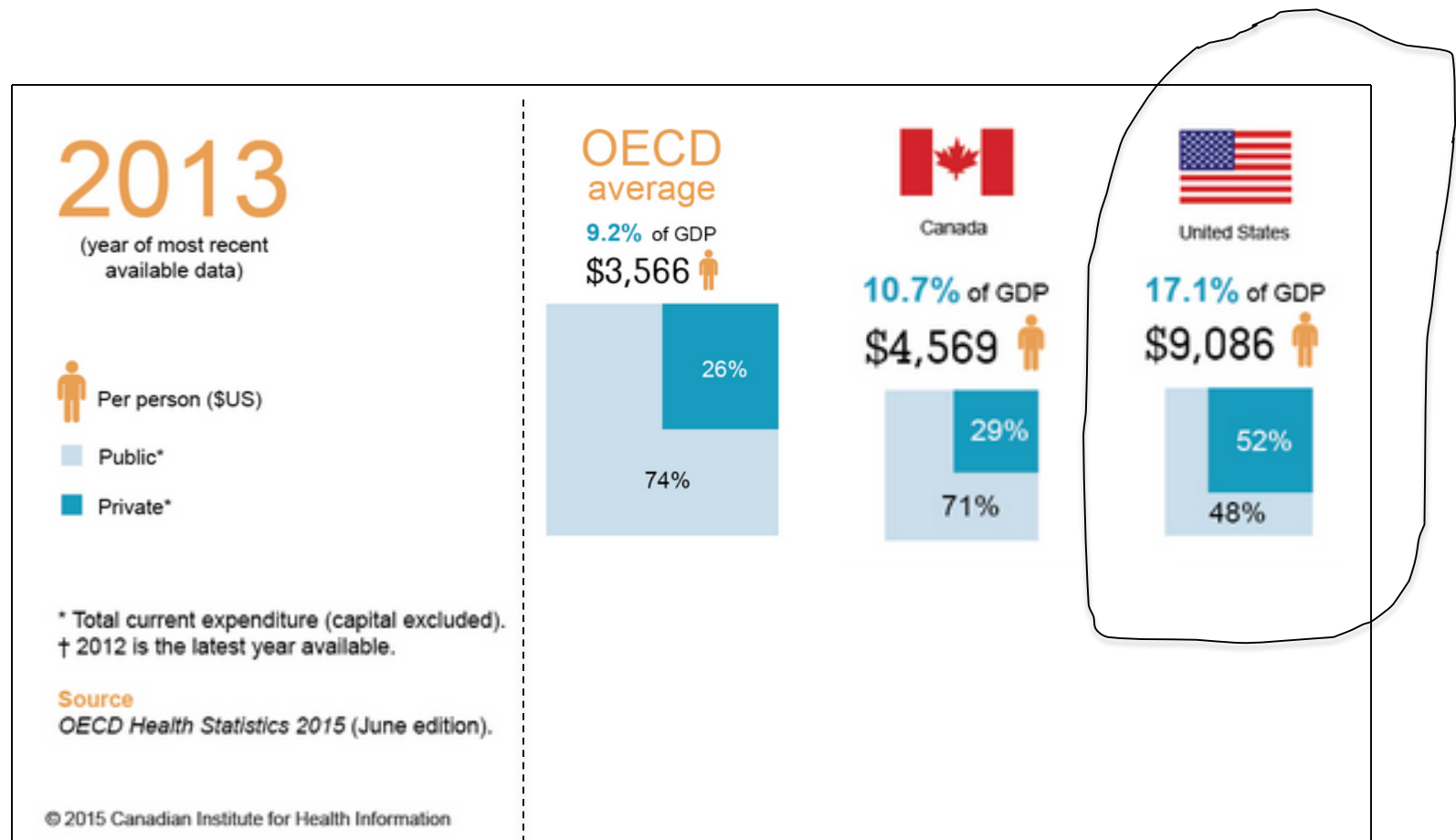
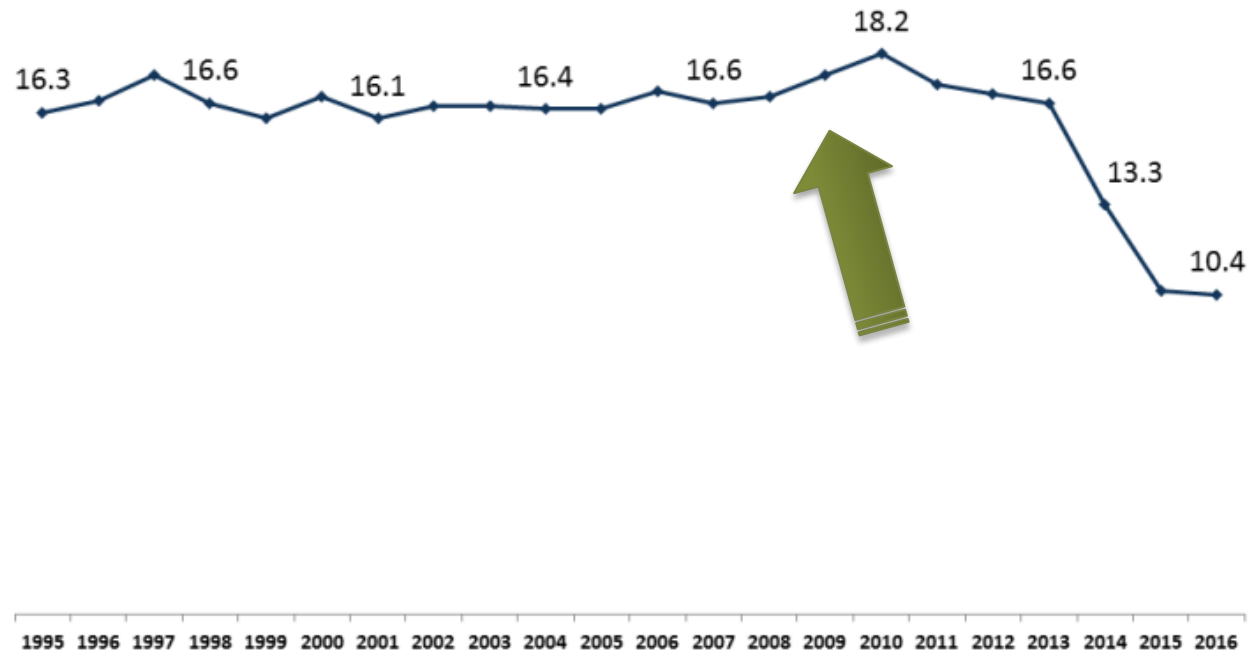


Figure 1

Uninsured Rate Among the Nonelderly Population, 1995-2016



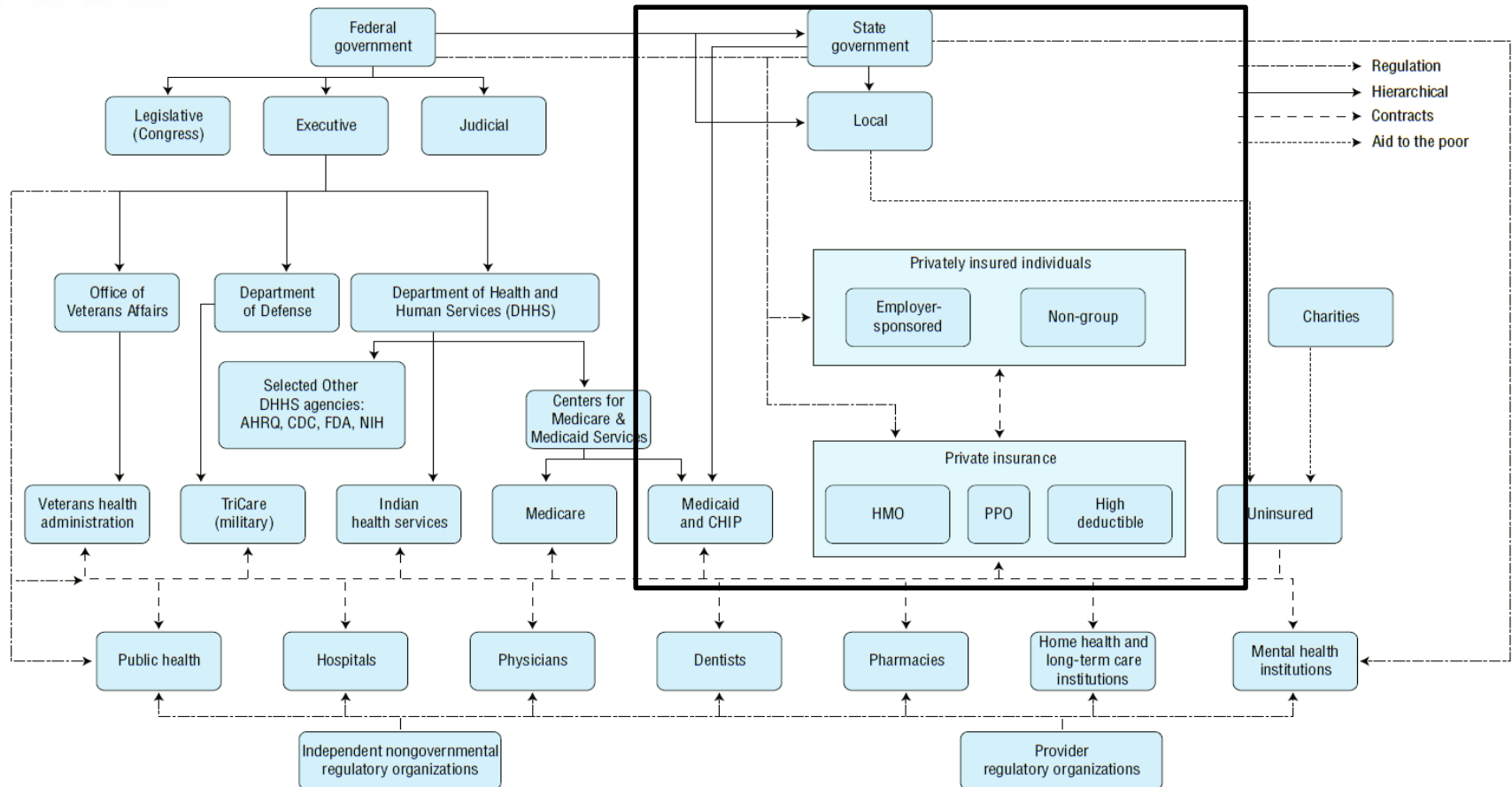
NOTES: Includes nonelderly individuals ages 0-64.

SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Health Interview Survey, reported in http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/health_policy/trends_hc_1968_2011.htm#table01 and <https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nhis/earlyrelease/insur201708.pdf>.



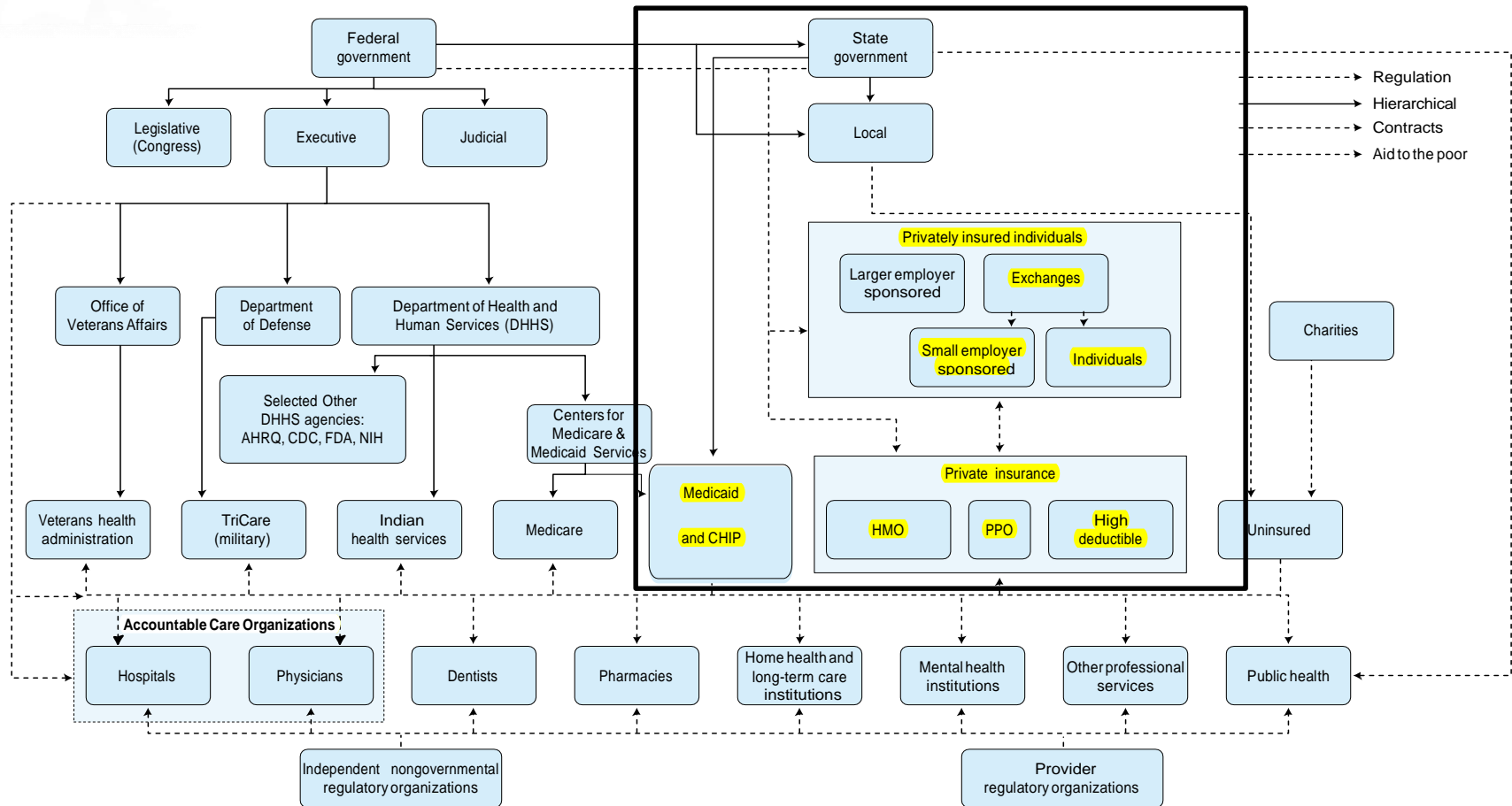
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U.S. health care system: pre-ACA



Source: Health Systems in Transition, Vol. 15 No. 3 2013: United States of America, Health Systems Review

U.S. health care system: post-ACA



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❖ *Coverage*

Insurance mandate, health insurance marketplaces (with subsidies),
Medicaid expansion, dependent coverage extension

❖ *Access*

Waiting period limits, no more annual and lifetime caps, free preventive
services

❖ *Delivery system reform*

ACOs, value-based purchasing, bundled payment, primary care bonuses

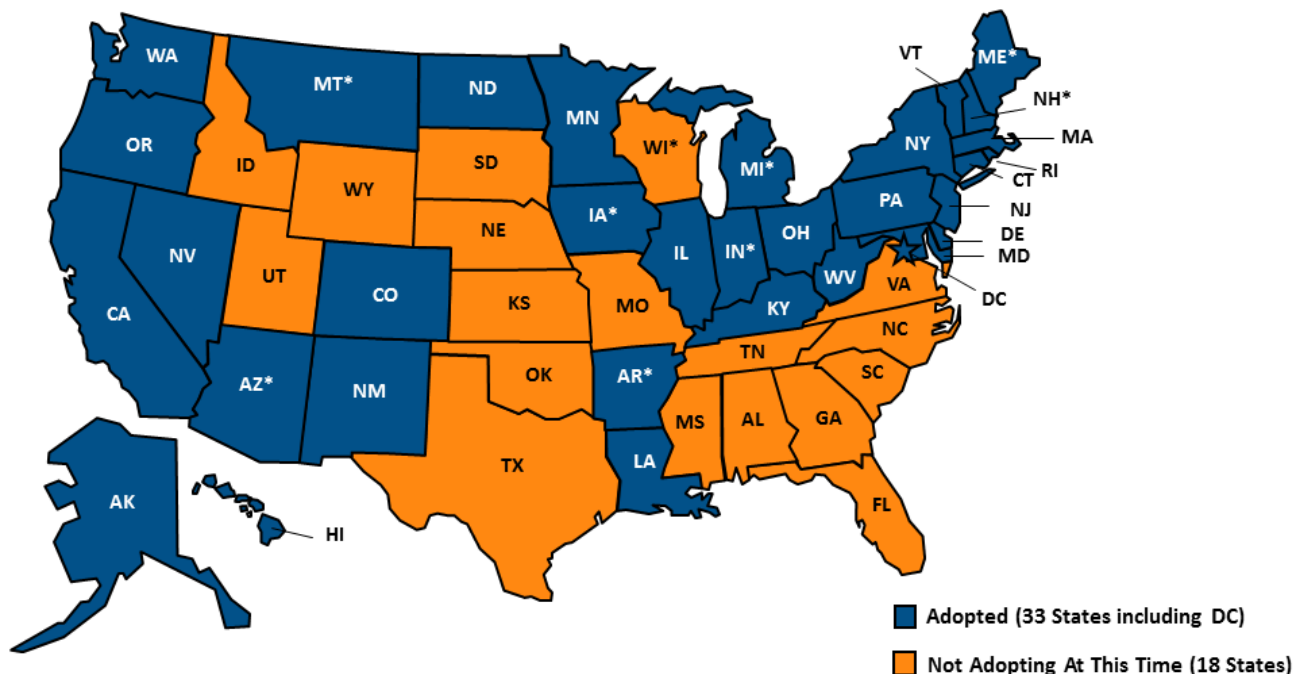
❖ *Health system performance measurement*

National Quality Strategy, PCORI, enhanced data collection

❖ *Cost reduction*

Elimination of certain hospital payments, including for readmissions

Current Status of State Medicaid Expansion Decisions



NOTES: Current status for each state is based on KFF tracking and analysis of state executive activity. *AR, AZ, IA, IN, MI, MT, and NH have approved Section 1115 waivers. ME adopted the Medicaid expansion through a ballot initiative in November 2017; the ballot measure requires submission of a state plan amendment within 90 days and implementation of expansion within 180 days of the measure's effective date. WI covers adults up to 100% FPL in Medicaid, but did not adopt the ACA expansion.

SOURCE: "Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision," KFF State Health Facts, updated November 8, 2017.
<http://kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-under-the-affordable-care-act/>

What's really going on here?



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U.S. Representative Joe Wilson (R-SC)

September 9, 2009

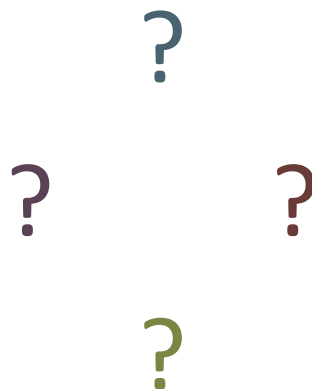
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Questions





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