

## KY/OH Lecture Tour ~ Deliberately Provocative!



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### *Kentucky/Ohio Lecture Tour Report*

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**Dear Friend of BRI,**

January 30, 2015

I just returned from my Kentucky/Ohio tour where I've been delivering my talk "The Merits of Profits in Medicine" -- yes, deliberately titled to be provocative. What a whirlwind! I wish I could have spent more time at each school, but there's only so much time when hitting five schools in four days.

It's been beyond refreshing to see so many faces -- familiar and new -- deeply engaged in changing the healthcare policy conversation in America. I love being out "in the field" with you all, engaging in these important conversations, opening hearts and minds to the importance of freedom to the doctor-patient relationship.

About 20-30 attended the **University of Louisville** kickoff event, including four or five M1s who are stepping up to lead the Chapter next year. I'm so encouraged by their interest. Also when I asked the audience how many thought that government needs to play a significant role in healthcare delivery, only a few raised their hands. The majority said they weren't sure, but 10-15 thought that profits are an important part of the solution!

Although 15 students signed up, only six attended the talk at **University of Cincinnati**. The current leaders are busy M3s, so if you know of any M1s or M2s at UC who might be interested in keeping that Chapter going please let us know.

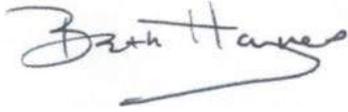
At **Ohio University**, 20-25 students and three faculty took part in a lively, extended discussion, including one physician who talked about his cash-based practice for an Amish community. Another 35 attended at **Ohio State University**, which again was marked by a positive reception for the role of profits in medicine.

Last but not least was a debate at the **University of Toledo** before an audience of around 20 students. Dr. Ross, from Physicians for a National Health Plan joined me for a lively point-counterpoint on for-profit vs. single-payer with non-profit providers. The last three events were video recorded, and we will notify you when they are uploaded to the website.

My heartfelt thanks to the BRI Chapter Leaders who made this trip so successful and

worthwhile: **Blake Averill, Ann Marie McCabe, Kristina Gaietto, Kyle Wenker, Sean Moore, Nic Miller, and Aaron Walsh.**

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