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Healthcare Fix: *More government, or more freedom?*

Greetings!

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We are very proud of our Georgetown BRI student leaders, **Danny McCorry**, **Tim Ford** and **John Grimsley**, who with their classmates produced a tremendous 2-on-2 debate at this year's **BRI Leadership Conference in Washington, DC**. Each year the local Host Chapter produces a spectacular debate as part of the Conference, and this year's debate did not disappoint.

Resolution: "Affordable, quality healthcare develops from maximizing freedom of choice -- not government programs or mandates."

The Resolution encapsulates the essence of today's debate on American healthcare. Arguing the opposition were two highly respected Georgetown professor-MDs, **Dr. Dennis McIntyre** and **Dr. Adriane Fugh-Berman**, and two innovative, successful private practice physicians, **Dr. Josh Umbehr** and **Dr. Lee Gross**.

There are many dimensions to this discussion, and we invite you to **watch the debate for yourself** and expand your own understanding of what constitutes optimal solutions to America's healthcare solution.



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Fundamentally, Dr. McIntyre and Dr. Fugh-Berman argued that it is every American's duty to give up some personal freedom to improve everyone's access to quality, affordable healthcare, by accepting healthcare as an essential community service.

The free enterprise proponents argued that government regulatory bureaucracy caused many healthcare industry problems cited (high prices, opacity, over-diagnoses) in the first place, and increasing external control would in fact exacerbate them.

We thank Drs. McIntyre and Fugh-Berman, Drs. Umbehr and Gross, the student leaders at BRI-Georgetown, and Georgetown University for making this educational, enlightening, and informative debate possible.

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