



## DPC continues to buy doctors happiness

### Greetings!

Are doctors in private, direct pay practices really happier?

They are if you believe what is being presented across the country at various healthcare policy conferences. Organizations like the Free Market Medical Association (FMMA), the Docs4Patient Care (D4PC) Foundation, and others continue to light the torch for medical freedom.

And doctors who participate in the DPC practice model are happy people.

John LeClaire, Medical College of Wisconsin med student reports first hand what he experienced at the recent D4PC Direct Primary Care conference in Orlando.



*"Perhaps the most striking thing of the entire experience, however, was just how happy the direct primary care doctors were. I have seen many physicians who are burnt out due to the problems in our current healthcare system. Many regret entering the profession and would not recommend it to their children. In contrast, the DPC doctors I met at the conference had an optimistic outlook on life and their careers. Many commented on how direct primary care allows them to build quality relationships with their patients and treat the person as whole, not just when sick." ~J. LeClaire*

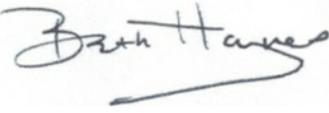
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There are many aspects to being happy in a career, but lately doctors have been increasingly used as pawns in a healthcare policy game that is neither a win for them nor for their patients.

The result is doctors leaving the profession and increased rates of physician and medical student burnout and suicide. Doctor shortage projections are rampant.

We're out to change all this, and we want you with us.

In partnership,



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## *Repealing the Individual Mandate--a BRI informational flyer*

A big part of what BRI does is disseminate educational materials on various healthcare policy issues. From the **pitfalls of EHRs** to the **ABCs of Medicare**, BRI continues to expand its library of offerings.

The latest flyer is on repealing the ACA's individual mandate. The Congressional Budget Office is predicting dire outcomes if the mandate is repealed, but as you might expect, our intrepid investigative intern, **Haran Sivakumar** of Icahn School of Medicine at Mt. Sinai has four reasons to be extremely skeptical of the CBO's official statements.

**[The truth about repealing the Individual Mandate](#)**

## SHOULD *YOU* BE AT BRI'S NEXT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE?

### *Ethics of the Patient-Doctor Relationship*



Thursday, March 8 through Sunday noon, March 11, 2018

This year's Leadership Conference will be held in Columbus, OH.

Here's how you know you should be there:

- You're a pre-med student or medical student.
- You're interested in healthcare policy.
- You're interested in preserving the patient-doctor relationship.
- You want to know more about how to provide the best care at the lowest cost to the most people.
- You think you might be getting one-sided healthcare policy instruction and want to know what others are proposing.

If the criteria above describe you, you should apply to attend BRI's Leadership Conference. It's that simple.

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## Association of American Physicians & Surgeons (AAPS) announces an essay contest for October conference



Speaking of affiliated organizations that are also working very hard to achieve medical freedom for doctors and patients, AAPS has announced an essay contest to win one of up to 15 scholarships to attend their conference in Indianapolis, IN, October 3-6, 2018.

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Memberships run year-to-year, and are renewable on each anniversary. Don't worry; we'll send you reminders!

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