



# HANDING PUBLIC HEALTH CARE TO CORPORATE INSURERS

## The Dangers of So-Called “Medicare Advantage”

Despite its name, “Medicare Advantage” (MA) is **not an advantage for seniors and people with disabilities**. It’s not even the same Medicare program that Americans have come to know and love. Health insurance corporations like Aetna and Humana spend millions on advertising in order to hide the ugly truth: their MA plans raid taxpayer funds and routinely fail to deliver the care that patients expect and deserve.

### DECEIVING TAXPAYERS.

Reports from journalists, researchers, and government agencies have shown that corporations like UnitedHealth and Cigna overcharge Medicare by giving patients exaggerated or entirely false diagnoses. Several firms have been fined, or sued, and agreed to large settlements. MA insurers are taking your tax dollars for conditions they aren’t even treating.

### DENYING TREATMENT.

Investigations into claim denials in MA found that insurers were inappropriately denying care that should be covered under Medicare. Physician surveys show that these practices often cause patients to suffer unnecessarily, and can even be life-threatening. In some cases, MA insurers were found to spend just seconds on each claim, and even denied claims using AI instead of medical experts.

### DISMANTLING MEDICARE.

Over 50% of Medicare beneficiaries now have for-profit corporations in charge of their care through MA. Insurance corporations are paid handsomely for these plans, and much of that money goes to profits instead of care. The corporations running MA plans want to take over Medicare entirely, leaving you with no option but to give your money to private insurers.



**Sign our petition** demanding that Congress take immediate action to protect Medicare from corporate greed TODAY.

