

UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE: SEN. BARACK OBAMA (D-ILL.)

A Community Meeting on Health Care with Obama

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"I am committed to the principle that spending as much money as we are, it is inexcusable that we still have as many uninsured as we do, I believe that by the end of my first term, in office, that we will have a universal healthcare system instituted in this country. That is a commitment that I made [applause] and it is a commitment I want to be held accountable for. In addition to ensuring that everybody has coverage, I want to make sure that it is coverage that is providing people with the healthcare that they need. It's not going to help us if we provide universal coverage that's substandard and does not provide regular checkups, or regular mammograms, or other important aspects of primary care."