



Interfaith Center on
Corporate Responsibility

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ICCR Health Care Principles

Social justice demands health security, guaranteeing affordable quality health care for all. Access to health care is a fundamental human right, benefits society and serves the individual, the common good and employers.

ICCR members advocate these principles for health care reform:

Health security: A reformed healthcare system will guarantee affordable quality health care for all.

Access: In a reformed healthcare system, each individual, regardless of health or financial circumstances, has a set of portable and comprehensive core benefits that is sufficient for physical and mental health.

Quality: A reformed healthcare system will determine quality through the re-alignment of incentives as well as care design and care coordination to:

- Improve health outcomes
- Increase patient safety
- Provide evidence-based medical practice and appropriate investments to create a more effective and higher performing health care system.

Accountability: All stakeholders (individuals, providers, businesses, non-profits, governments) are accountable for the integrity, viability, and cost containment of the health care system.

Equitable financing: All stakeholders share responsibility for equitable financing of the system so that health care is affordable for all.

Essential Elements of a Reformed Health Care System:

We believe we can only achieve health reform through addressing fundamental problems of access and affordability, quality, accountability and efficiency in our current system. Consequently, essential elements must include:

- Comprehensive core benefits and services across the continuum of care, providing a balance of wellness, prevention and acute services available to all;
- Openness/transparency about health system quality, outcomes and costs;
- Care coordination (e.g. medical homes) across the continuum of care;
- IT connectivity for electronic medical records available to all clinicians for care delivery and coordination;
- Incentives for providers to provide quality, efficient and cost-effective services;

- Elimination of unneeded administrative/overhead costs;
- Elimination of barriers such as pre-existing condition exclusion, lack of portability, rescission of coverage, and addressing concerns in the current medical malpractice system.

Signatories to the ICCR Health Care Principles (as of February 19, 2009)

1. Ascension Health
2. Adrian Dominican Sisters General Council
3. American Baptist Home Mission Society (National Ministries)
4. Aquinas Associates
5. Ascension Health
6. Basilian Fathers of Toronto
7. Benedictine Coalition for Responsible Investment
8. Benedictine Sisters, Boerne, Texas
9. The Benedictine Sisters of Virginia
10. Bon Secours Health System
11. Brothers of Holy Cross Eastern Province
12. Catholic Health East
13. Catholic Health Initiatives
14. Catholic Healthcare Partners
15. Catholic Healthcare West
16. CHRISTUS Health
17. Church of the Brethren Benefit Trust
18. Clean Yield Asset Management
19. Congregation Justice Committee, Sisters of the Holy Cross, Notre Dame, Indiana
20. Congregation of St. Joseph Leadership Team
21. Congregation of St. Joseph Justice Team
22. Congregation of the Sisters of St. Agnes.
23. Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Springfield
24. CREA: Center for Reflection, Education and Action
25. Dominican Sisters of Hope, New York
26. The Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose, California
27. Dominican Sisters of San Rafael
28. Leadership Team, Dominican Sisters of Springfield, IL
29. Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls Leadership Team
30. Friends Fiduciary Corporation
31. The Marianist Province of the United States
32. Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers
33. Mercy Investment Program, U.S.
34. Midwest Coalition for Responsible Investments
35. Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate
36. MMA
37. Mount St. Scholastica
38. North American Passionist JPIC Office
39. Northwest Coalition for Responsible Investment
40. Northwest Women Religious Investment Trust
41. PeaceHealth
42. The Premontstratensian Fathers
43. Presentation Sisters, New Windsor, NY
44. Province of St. Joseph of the Capuchin Order
45. Racine Dominicans Socially Responsible Investment Committee
46. School Sisters of Notre Dame Cooperative Investment Fund
47. School Sisters of Notre Dame of St. Louis, Provincial Council

48. School Sisters of St. Francis, U.S. Province
49. Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth
50. Sisters of Charity, BVM
51. The Executive Council of the Sisters of Charity of New York
52. Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati, Region VI Coalition for Responsible Investment
53. Sisters of Charity of Nazareth
54. Society of Jesus, New York Province
55. Sisters of the Humility of Mary
56. Sisters of Mercy Regional Community of Detroit Charitable Trust
57. Sisters of Notre Dame of Toledo, Ohio Sisters of St. Dominic, Akron Ohio
58. Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Aberdeen SD
59. Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi
60. Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity
61. Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia
62. Sisters of St. Francis, Rochester, MN
63. The Sisters of St. Francis Tiffin, Ohio
64. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, California Province
65. Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, St. Paul Province
66. Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange
67. Sisters of St. Joseph of Peace, Western Province
68. Sisters of St. Louis
69. Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon
70. Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus & Mary, U.S. Ontario Province
71. Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, California Province
72. Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur(115) of the Connecticut Province
73. School Sisters of Notre Dame Corporate Responsibility Committee
74. Sisters of the Presentation
75. Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother
76. The Socially Responsible Investment Coalition (SRIC)
77. Sr. Ann Christi Brink, CSJ from Latham, NY.
78. St. Joseph Health System
79. Trinity Health
80. Tri-State Coalition for Responsible Investment
81. Universal HC Foundation of CT
82. Ursuline Sisters of Tildonk-U.S. Province, New York
83. USA province of the Daughters of Wisdom
84. The Unitarian Universalist Association of Congregations