

HEALTH CARE ON LIFE SUPPORT

As the U.S. Congress prepares to overhaul the Affordable Care Act, this infographic provides a comparative snapshot of recent key health care indicators on both sides of the Atlantic. Germany and the United States share the goal of ensuring that its people have access to the best medical services possible, but the delivery of that care has taken two very different paths.

GERMANY

UNITED STATES

POPULATION COVERED BY PUBLICLY PROVIDED INSURANCE

88.9%

34.5%



POPULATION THAT SKIPPED TREATMENT DUE TO COST

5.6%

21.3%



POPULATION THAT EXPERIENCED COST-RELATED ACCESS PROBLEMS

15%

37%



POPULATION THAT SPENT \$1,000+ OUT-OF-POCKET FOR HEALTH CARE COSTS

11%

41%



POPULATION THAT BELIEVES ITS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WORKS WELL

42%

23%

