

Discussion Class Assignment – Due September 8, 2009.

The assignment is to read the paper: *The Case for Real Health Care Reform* by Joseph Antos, American Enterprise Institute. This is a conservative look at the current issue of health care reform. You will need to turn in a 300 word summary of the article in class and be prepared to discuss the following questions. Your summary should focus on answering these questions as well.

1. What is the main message of this article? How does this message relate to universal health care?
2. The article proposes a solution to the problem of people in the U.S. without health insurance. What is the solution proposed by the authors to the problem? What do the authors see as the advantages of their proposed solution? Please be specific.
3. What does the article say about the other Democratic proposed legislation (as of June 2009 when the article was written)? What does the author think is the disadvantages of the Democratic proposed legislation? Please be specific.
4. Does the author identify any weaknesses with their own proposed solution? If so, identify them and be prepared to briefly discuss them. If not, can you think of any weaknesses with the author's proposed solution? Be prepared to briefly discuss them.
5. Will the proposed solution for the problem of the uninsured in the U.S. actually work? Please give specific reasons for your answer.