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**QUESTION:** Is health a human right?

Lets talk about it.....
The Cost of Healthcare

- Access to health care
- Who pays for healthcare?
- The uninsured or underinsured
- Rationing of medical technology
The Declaration of Alma Ata (1978)
Push for Primary Care

- Primary care: Serves as a “gatekeeper” to U. S. healthcare system
- Health as a commodity is likened to a business
- Government Responsibility vs. Personal Responsibility: Is there a balance?
Biomedical Model vs. Prevention Models
US spends two-and-a-half times the OECD average

Total health expenditure per capita, public and private, 2010 (or nearest year)

USD PPP

- Public expenditure on health
- Private expenditure on health

1. In the Netherlands, it is not possible to clearly distinguish the public and private share related to investments.
2. Total expenditure excluding investments.
Information on data for Israel: http://dx.doi.org/10.1787/688932315602.

Source: OECD Health Data 2012.
Life expectancy at birth in the United States is lower than in other developed countries, despite higher healthcare costs.

LIFE EXPECTANCY (YEARS)

HEALTHCARE SPENDING PER CAPITA
Social Determinants of Health

- What factors determine health?
- Equity vs. equality: What’s the difference?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5Lul6KNIw_8
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**QUESTION:** SO......Is health a human right?

Who deserves to be healthy?
Discussion
The End

Thanks for your attention!