

is excited to announce the production of an upcoming Webinar on **Medicare For All** with Wendell Potter, Dr. Walter Tsou and Mark Dudzic.

Single-Payer Healthcare: Why we need it and what will it take?

Date: Tuesday, October 20th

Time: 7:00 pm To be broadcast via Zoom & Youtube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCaHqWl6dsi1XDhFr0DBZSZw



<u>Wendell Potter</u> is a former health insurance executive who had a "crisis of conscience," becoming disgusted with America's broken healthcare system after years of helping the industry mislead Americans. Wendell walked away from his job at Cigna, one of the country's largest health insurers, in 2008 and became a vocal critic of the insurance industry and a leading advocate of reform. He has formed the *Center for Health & Democracy* that works to transform America's system of health coverage. The organization's core belief is that healthcare should be driven not by industry profits and greed, but by the needs and rights of every American to get the quality care they need without concern for cost.

Time Magazine called Wendell "the ideal whistleblower." Bill Moyers called him a straight shooter. Wendell famously testified about his shocking revelations of the nation's healthcare system in front of Congress, and is a bestselling author. *Deadly Spin: An Insurance Company Insider Speaks Out on How*

Corporate PR Is Killing Health Care and Deceiving Americans and Nation on the Take: How Big Money Corrupts Our Democracy and What We Can Do About It.



Walter Tsou, MD, MPH is a nationally known consultant on public health and health care reform. Currently, he is the Executive Director of Physicians for Social Responsibility Philadelphia. He is an Adjunct Professor of Family Medicine and Community Health at the University of Pennsylvania where he teaches community health at their Center for Public Health Initiatives. He was President of the American Public Health Association in 2005. He served as Health Commissioner of Philadelphia from April 2000 to February 2002. Prior to his appointment, he was the founding Deputy Director for Personal Health Services and Medical Director of the Montgomery County (PA) Health Department from 1991-2000. He has extensive experience in public health and has lectured widely on public health and health disparities.

Nationally, he is a Board Advisor at Physicians for a National Health Program. He is Past Chair of the Board of the Asian Pacific Islander American Health Forum. Locally he is on the boards of Philadelphia

Physicians for Social Responsibility, Hepatitis B Foundation, the Green Tree Community Health Foundation and Health Care for All Pennsylvania. His medical degree is from the University of Pennsylvania; his MPH is from the Johns Hopkins School of Hygiene and Public Health, and he has an honorary Doctorate in Medical Sciences from Drexel University.



Mark Dudzic is the National Coordinator of the Labor Campaign for Single Payer based in Washington, DC and has been a labor activist for over 40 years. In 1979 he joined Rahway, NJ Local 149 of the Oil Chemical and Atomic Workers (now part of the United Steelworkers) after helping to organize his precious metals refinery. He served as full-time president of his Local Union and as president of the largest District Council in the OCAW. After the death of his friend and union brother Tony Mazzocchi, he came to Washington, DC in 2003 to work on Tony's many unfinished projects including efforts to build a labor-based political party, advance occupational safety, promote working class culture, and win national healthcare.

The Labor Campaign for Single Payer was founded in 2009 just prior to the inauguration of President Obama. Its mission is to ensure that the voice of the grassroots labor movement is heard in the debates over the future of healthcare and to advocate for a single-payer, Medicare-for-All healthcare system. The Labor Campaign played a crucial role in the unanimous passage of a resolution endorsing a single-payer "social insurance model' long term solution to the healthcare crisis at the AFL-CIO's 2009 Convention and works to promote national single-payer legislation and labor-supported state universal healthcare initiatives. Their affiliates include 15 national unions and hundreds of local and regional labor organizations in the fight to make healthcare a right for everyone in America.

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