ECONOMIC RULES OF THE DYSFUNCTIONAL [CORRUPT, GREED-DRIVEN]* MEDICAL MARKET

1. **More Treatment Is Always Better.** ***Default to the Most Expensive Option.***
2. **A Lifetime of Treatment Is Preferable to a Cure. [Ed. Note: In Long Haul, That's What We Call A 'No Shitter.']**
3. **Amenities And Marketing Matter More Than Good Care.**
4. **As Technologies Age, Prices Can Rise Rather Than Fall.**
5. **There Is No Free Choice. Patients Are Stuck. And They're Stuck Buying American.**
6. **More Competitors Vying For Business Doesn't Mean Better Prices; It Can Drive Prices Up, Not Down.**
7. **Economies Of Scale Don't Translate Lower Prices. With Their Market Power, Big Providers Can Simply Demand More.**
8. **There is No Such Thing As A Fixed Price For A Procedure Or Test. And The Uninsured Pay The Highest Prices Of All.**
9. **There Are No Standards For Billing. There's Money To Be Made In Billing For *Anything And Everything*.**
10. **Prices Will Rise To Whatever The Market Will Bear. [Ed. Note: Why It's The American [Pfucking] Way. Only 17% GDP]**

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