



Time For An Adjustable Affordable Care Act

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My name is Robert Woodard. I am owner and proprietor of Woodard's Barbershop, 5031 Diamond St. in Wynnefield. I know the Affordable Care Act has been a hot topic of discussion in barbershops around the country. Barbers were the original doctors, which leads me to a comment made by Dr. Ben Carson, brain surgeon of Johns Hopkins University.

I give this country credit for the right of free speech, because I believe being an American makes you part of the greatest country in the world. The reason we identify America as the greatest is because of one word, "freedom."

Being a part of a free society gives U.S. citizens certain inalienable rights, free choice to be or not to be. Unfortunately, the 'S' word, slavery, did not apply to freedom, therefore, leaving a large number of people of color trying just to survive in America. The majority of those people were controlled by involuntary servitude.

Carson likened the Affordable Care Act to slavery. Why? Buying this insurance is an involuntary compliance. In other words, you have to comply or you will be punished. It becomes not your choice, but the choice of the American government. As the "grandfather of surgery" the barber, I believe Carson's analogy on slavery meant the right of choice would be taken away. Hence, the Affordable Care Act needs a makeover. It's called "adjustable health care" that is affordable. Adjustable health care addresses the needs of all the people in a multicultural society. The ethnically sensitive Affordable Care Act becomes a human rights issue. It is my human right in a multicultural society to receive the proper health care for my particular ethnicity.

Electromagnetic forces surround us in a highly technological society. Most hospitals perform tests and administer drugs that are harmful and very dangerous to people of a darker hue. Darkness is a conduit to energy. MRIs, CAT scans and x-rays are just to name a few.

The testing for harmful side-effects are measured for the majority in America, not the minority. And the majority are of the lightest hue. Even surgical procedures in hospitals are designed to treat white skin and not dark skin. Skin that contains high levels of melanin can become keloidal and cause life threatening scarring, especially in heart surgery. At present, doctors are trained to treat you when you are sick with drugs, but they are not educated on how to prevent you from becoming ill by prescribing the proper nutrients.

There are thousands of people dying of malpractice each year in hospitals all around this country. My question is it malpractice by the doctor or could it be the wrong procedure for a particular ethnicity? How then can I, a person of darker hue, afford the Affordable Care Act dictating my choice? It becomes a gamble not knowing how and what side-effects affect me. My question becomes, can I, a person of darker hue, afford to have Affordable Care Act? The answer is no, not unless we create an adjustable Affordable Care Act that fits the needs of all the people in a multicultural society.

The adjustable Affordable Care Act would protect people who are sensitive to hospital testing that involve high amounts of radiation. Darker people absorb higher amounts of radiation, because dark skin is a greater conduit. It draws in more radiation than white skin. To date, there is no real statistical evidence on harmful side-effects of radiation on dark skin.

My question becomes, what are the side-effects on people of the darkest hue and when will our government address the dangers of hospital testing on people of color? Until this problem is addressed, I can't afford to take a chance on the Affordable Care Act. Our government was designed to protect the welfare of all of its people, even if they happen to live in dark skin. Hence, at the end of the day, after all the barbershop talk is over, we have to give our President Barack Obama credit for getting the party started.

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