

## Project 2: The Obama-Biden Health Care Reform Plan

### I. Research the Health Care Reform Plan proposed by the Obama-Biden Administration.

Read as much information as you can find online.

Be sure to evaluate the accuracy of the information by using reputable websites.

Try to avoid rhetoric and bias and political slants.

Read over the plan carefully and take notes while bulleting key points.

Hand in these (informal) notes along with the answers to the questions and the paper.

### II. Answer the following questions.

1. What are the major tenets of the plan?
2. How will the plan affect the following individuals?
  - a. Medicare and/or Medicaid recipients
  - b. Patients with preexisting conditions
  - c. Homeless and/or unemployed
  - d. Individuals with chronic illnesses i.e. diabetes, hypertension, and heart disease
  - e. Retirees
  - f. Small business owner with small staff of employees
  - g. Insured v. Uninsured
3. How will the plan change the way we store medical information?
  - What is your opinion of this change?
  - Are there any inherent dangers in this change?
4. Compare this plan to at least the plan of two other countries. (Bullet points)
5. Explain why there is major controversy surrounding the plan.
6. In your opinion, what are the pros and cons of the plan? (Make a list)
  - After researching the plan, decide if you support the plan? Why or why not? (Give 4 supporting arguments to support your position)
  - Write a detailed paper explaining your position. Be sure to provide evidence to support your views. Use the pros and cons of the plan (#6 above) as fodder for your paper.
  - Feel free to interview others about their views but make sure your paper is based on your own research and opinion.