## Health Care Reform: How it affects REALTORS®

## **Stop the Madness**

- Turn off the TV talking heads
- Biggest winners—insurance companies
- www.realtor.org/healthreform

## Why NAR was involved

- REALTORS® at business disadvantage
- Individual coverage much more expensive
- 28% of members without health insurance

#### The New Bill

- Mandates health insurance
- Provides credits to help individuals and families purchase
- Small businesses = 50 or more employees

## Things NOT in the New Bill

- 4% real estate tax
- Federal control
- Death panels
- Rationing

#### **Impact on Real Estate**

- NO change to the Mortgage Interest Deduction
- 3.8% Medicare tax on <u>net</u> investment income
- \$250k/\$500k capital gains exclusion on sale of a principal residence still in place

# Advocacy groups FOR health insurance reform

- AARP
- Livestrong
- Alzheimer Foundation
- Children's Defense Fun
- Children's Hospitals
- American Heart Assoc.
- Paralyzed Veterans
- American Nurses Assoc.
- American Academy of Pediatrics

- Consumer Federation of America
- Association of Medical Colleges
- Catholic Health Association
- American Hospital Foundation
- United Cerebral Palsy
- Easter Seals

