



NY City Mayor de Blasio Says Healthcare is a “Right” and Plans to Guarantee Payment of Medical Bills

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio announced he will be launching a plan to guarantee health care coverage for all residents, which includes illegal immigrants living in the city. He says healthcare is a human right, and he plans to offer this “right” to anyone who lands in New York from another country. The plan will cost taxpayers well over \$100-million and will cover everything from mental health services to well visits, to maternity care for anyone who wants it. He says the ultimate solution is single-payer health insurance for the whole country. [Single payer means government, which means taxpayers, which means you – if you work for a living.]
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“Health care is a human right. In this city we’re going to make that a reality,” de Blasio said during a [press conference](#) Tuesday. “From this moment on, in New York City, everyone is guaranteed the right to health care. Everyone.”

De Blasio explained a day earlier the plan, referred to as NYC Care, will reach nearly 600,000 New Yorkers and cost taxpayers at least \$100 million. The [healthcare-for-all](#) plan is not limited to American citizens and would also include individuals who cannot afford their existing plans.

NYC Care is expected to first launch in the Bronx over the summer and will be fully implemented throughout the city by 2021, according to [Bloomberg](#).

The progressive mayor said he believes NYC Care will act as a springboard for the rest of the country to follow suit and ultimately implement a nationwide universal health care program.

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