## U.S. Health Care

## Most Americans Hold Dim View of Health Care System

Which of the following statements best describes your view of our current health care system?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
$\square$ Our health care system is broken and needs a complete overhaul
$\square$ Significant changes are needed to make our health care system work
$\square$ Overall, the health care system is working and needs only some minor adjustments

Don't know

## Universal Health Care

Do you agree or disagree that it is the responsibility of the federal government to make sure all Americans have health care coverage?


■ Agree
$\square$ Disagree

Don't know

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

## Should Health Insurance Be Required?

To ensure all Americans have health coverage, some say Congress should require everyone to have health insurance, the way drivers are required to have automobile insurance. People with higher incomes who do not have coverage would be required to buy insurance, and the government would help pay for insurance for those who can't afford it. Would you
favor or oppose such a plan?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

Favor
$\square$ Oppose

Don't know

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## Medicare Prescription Drug Benefit

How well do you think the Medicare prescription drug benefit for seniors is working?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

Very well

Somewhat wellNot too well

Not at all

Don't know

## Health Care Professional Workforce

Current evidence suggests that the U.S. is experiencing a shortage of health care professionals that is predicted to worsen. How important would you say it is for policy makers to create more incentives to encourage individuals to pursue careers as...


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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## Electronic Health Record Uniformity

Should Congress mandate a nationally uniform system of electronic health records?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

## Tracking Health Outcomes

Should Congress use tax dollars to fund a health outcomes tracking system that health care professionals and consumers/patients can easily use to compare cost, quality and what treatments will work best for them?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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## Mental Health Fundamental to Basic Health Care

Do you agree or disagree that mental health services are fundamental to overall health and should be part of any basic health care plan?

$\square$ Agree
$\square$ Disagree

Don't know

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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## Are Americans Informed?

How well informed would you say you are regarding the stance of your elected officials on health care issues?


Very well

Somewhat well

Not too well

Not at all

Don't know

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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## Research \& Competitiveness

## Investing in NIH Research

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is the agency that funds most of the medical and health research paid for by U.S. taxpayers. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view on funding for NIH?

$\square$ The U.S. must increase investment in NIH to ensure our future health and economic security

Current U.S. funding for medical and health research is sufficient and other budget items are higher priorities now
$\square$ Funding for NIH is not a priority

Don't know

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

## How Much for NIH?

Since 2003, funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has been outpaced by inflation. To recover these losses, a coalition of universities, scientists, patients, businesses and associations has proposed a $6.7 \%$ increase in NIH funding each year for several years. Do you favor or oppose an annual 6.7\% increase in funding for NIH in 2008, 2009 and 2010?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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■ Favor
$\square$ Oppose

Don't know

# Federal Funding for Embryonic Stem Cell Research 

Do you favor or oppose federal funding for research using embryonic stem cells?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
$\square$ Favor
$\square$ Oppose

Don't know

Research $\left.\right|_{\text {America }}$

## U.S. Competitive Edge in Innovation

Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The U.S. is losing its global competitive edge in science, technology and innovation.


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

## Americans Not Very Well Informed

How well informed would you say you are regarding the stance of your elected officials when it comes to their support of medical, health and scientific research?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

Very well

Somewhat wellNot too well

Not at all

Don't know

## Prevention \& Public Health

## Americans Want "Health" Care Not Sick Care

Do you agree or disagree that our health care system should be redesigned to encourage preventing illness rather than dealing with disease only once symptoms are apparent?

$\square$ Agree

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

Disagree

Don't know


## Funding for CDC

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is charged with protecting the health and safety of Americans. The President's 2008 budget recommendation continues to cut funding for core programs at the CDC. Which of the following statements most accurately reflects your position?


Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
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$\square$ Increase funding for core programs at CDC

Oppose further cuts to CDC and maintain current funding levels
$\square$ Support the President's recommended funding cuts

Don't know

## State and Local Health Department Funding

Do you favor or oppose increasing federal funding for state and local health departments across the country that are expected to prepare for and respond to threats to our health?


■ Favor
$\square$ Oppose
$\square$ Don't know

Source: Your Congress-Your Health Survey, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America

