

## What would a UU Healthcare Plan Look Like?

Summary of Survey 5/4/2008  
UU Church of Nashua

The following summary captures the most commonly expressed ideas from the survey responses you wrote on May 4th. If alternate ideas were expressed by more than one person, they are indicated in italics. Not everyone was in agreement, but several ideas rang out loud and clear.

### **Some General Comments:**

- "Healthcare for people, not for profit"
- "Healthcare as important a national priority as education"
- "Healthcare based on respect and care of each individual"
- "Healthcare - a system of compassion and wisdom"

### **Summarized Comments:**

- Cover EVERYONE from birth to death. No discrimination; no one excluded.  
*Some called out for exclusions that will be needed, such as for undocumented people.*
- Cover all aspects of healthcare—physical, mental, dental, preventative, medications, although some exclusions for non-essential services. No exclusions based on pre-existing conditions.
- Put greater focus on HEALTHY life practices—better health education, coverage for wellness and alternative practices. Shift priorities from disease care to preventative care.
- Take healthcare out of private hands. Make it government managed, like Medicare. Not employer based. Eliminate red tape and cut administrative costs. Get the profit out of healthcare.  
*Some called for a combination of public and private healthcare management.*
- Pay for healthcare through our tax system. Base an individual's cost on ability to pay. Reduce military spending to cover cost.