



Over the last 25+ years, Galen has fought tirelessly to develop and champion programs that bring freedom, innovation, and patient power to our health sector. The battles have been long and hard fought, and we continue to face stiff headwinds, but we also have many victories to celebrate! We have made reform inroads over these years through creation of Health Savings Accounts, Individual Coverage Health Reimbursement Arrangements, Medicare Advantage, Medicare Part D,

Short-term health insurance, Association Health Plans, and more.



Above all, we have stopped a government takeover of health care with our persistent education and communication efforts. More than half of Americans still have and value their private health insurance, and they do not want to lose it in exchange for a mother-may-I government run system.

These victories have only been possible because of the work of a vibrant market-based policy community and the Consensus Group that Galen founded and has facilitated for nearly 30 years. And today, we are nurturing a new generation of policy leaders who will drive the cause of health freedom over the next decades.

The next two years will be critical for our coalition-building activities as we open new doors to build on the patient-centered, freedom-based options in place now for care and coverage. As you will read in the next pages, the Galen Institute has entered an exciting new partnership with DonorsTrust, which advances our ability to promote health freedom.

As always with policy changes involving health care, it will be an intense debate, and Galen will be at the forefront to guide positive policy development. The future is bright!

Thank you for your support!

Grace-Marie Turner
Executive Director

# A New Partnership

In 2022, the Galen Institute joined forces with **DonorsTrust**, a leading nonprofit donor-advised fund provider for the freedom movement. We are now known as: **Galen Institute at Donors, LLC**, operating under DonorsTrust.

We sought this new arrangement to give us the organizational support of a large, established nonprofit while minimizing the time and costs of running a separate organization.

The mission of Galen Institute at Donors has not changed. We remain committed to advancing ideas and policies to create a vibrant, patient-centered health sector. You may continue to access all our work via our website (galen.org) or by subscribing to our American Health Care Choices e-newsletter at www.galen.org.

## **Donors Trust**

#### The Community Foundation for Liberty



"We're thrilled to have the Galen Institute as part of the DonorsTrust family. Grace-Marie Turner and her team are exceptional social entrepreneurs fighting on the front lines for reforms that put patients and doctors—not the government—in charge of health decisions. It's a mission we can get behind."

Lawson Bader, President and CEO, DonorsTrust

### **Health Policy Consensus Group**

In 1993—three years prior to forming the Galen Institute—Grace-Marie Turner convened a meeting of health policy experts from three major market-based public policy research organizations. The group's goal was to develop alternatives to Clinton Administration plans that would put virtually all of the U.S. health sector under centralized Washington control.

Six months later, the newly formed **Health Policy Consensus Group** released a statement, "A Vision for Consumer-Directed Health Care Reform" that showed policymakers there was a positive alternative to Clinton Care. Our 1994 statement was the first of countless policy statements, comment letters, conferences, meetings, and two books, all part of our non-stop work to guide development of health policy ideas.

Today, the Health Policy Consensus Group is a vibrant coalition consisting of more than 250 participants from state and national think tanks and other freedom-fighters from throughout the health sector. We meet to exchange information on research, hammer out reform recommendations, and offer advice to policymakers who seek our guidance on current policy initiatives.



Grace-Marie introduces Consensus Group participants at launch event at the National Press Club.



"AN EXCELLENT [Consensus
Group] CALL - thank you! What
was so fantastic about this meeting, after
attending lots of calls during my life, is that no
one went on for too long. Everything was relevant.
No big self promotion. Very, very timely because
of the new Congress, and a perfect way to end the
year. Literally, it was a perfect policy call."

-Jack Kalavritinos, Former senior HHS official serving in two Administrations

"The Galen
Institute is devoted to
facilitating thoughtful analysis
of critical health policy issues and
building consensus around policies
that can promote a better health
care system for all Americans."

-Joe Antos, Senior Fellow and Wilson H. Taylor Scholar in Health Care and Retirement Policy at the American Enterprise Institute "The Galen
Institute and the
Consensus Group have
been invaluable resources
as we advance health policy
reforms at the state level."

-Robert Alt, President and CEO, The Buckeye Institute

"Turner said
a plan [Health Care
Choices] put forth by the Galen
Institute's Health Policy Consensus
Group could receive a hearing. The plan
lays out a range of policies that call for
repealing Affordable Care Act requirements,
such as ones that dictate the coverage of certain
benefits, and suggests giving states more
authority to reform their individual
health-insurance markets."

-National Journal, October 2022



Consensus Group participants Laura Trueman, Grace-Marie Turner, Tevi Troy, and Nina Schaefer at the 2022 FREOPP Conference.

### Among participants in our Consensus Group:

Goldwater Institute



Independent Women's Forum **Commonwealth Foundation** 



**Hoover Institution** 



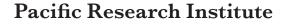
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**Bipartisan Policy Center** 







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State Policy Network

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THE BUCKEYE INSTITUTE

Independence Institute

Foundation for Government Accountability





**Tax Foundation** 

**Ethics and Public Policy Center** 

### **Accomplishments**

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The University of Pennsylvania's 2020 Global Go To Think Tank Report

ranks the Galen Institute as one of the top 50 health policy think tanks worldwide.



### At A Glance

- 28+ Quotes and Citations
- Speeches by
  Grace-Marie Turner
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  Industry Leaders,
  and Lawmakers

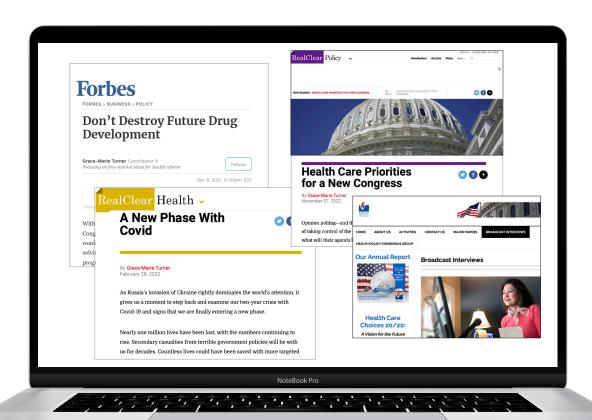
- 3 Testimonies
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- 47 Galen Newsletters

Grace-Marie Turner Executive Director Galen Institute

WASHINGTONIAN

Turner founded this publicpolicy institute dedicated to fostering free-market health policy ideas and critiques of governmentrun expansions.

### Papers and Book Chapters • Regi



#### Consensus Group Public

Comment Letter to IRS and

Department of the Treasury in response to the Biden Administration's Illegal Family Glitch Rule, Signed by 36 colleagues, June 7, 2022

#### Comments by Grace-Marie Turner

Prepared for meeting with White House Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs regarding the Biden Administration's proposed Family Glitch rule, September 28, 2022

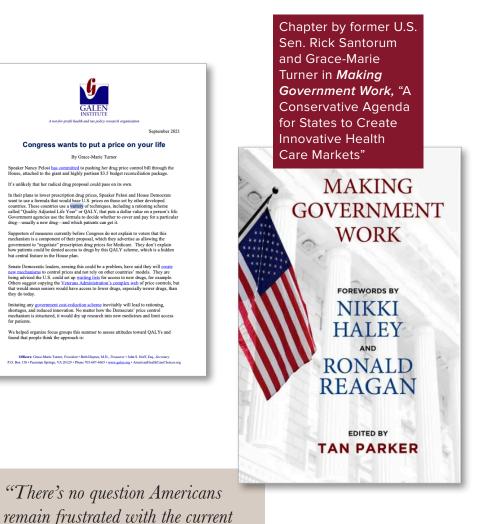
(Not published because the White House cancelled our meeting and proceeded to implement the rule anyway)



Grace-Marie gathers for a Christmas Tea with colleagues and Consensus Group participants.

### ulatory Comments • Media Hits





Chapter for book by Star Parker on the State of Black America

Chapter title: "The Dignity of Private vs Public Insurance"

By Grace-Marie Turner

Publication in 2023

**Should Medicare Eliminate Cost Sharing for Preventive Vaccines?** 

By Doug Badger

#### Why "TRICARE for All" is a bad idea

By Grace-Marie Turne

TRICARE is the Department of Defense's health care program serving 9.6 million active duty service members, retired service members, National Guard and reserve members, family members, and survivors. TRICARE uses a worldwide system of military hospitals and clinics, sugmented by civilian providers and facilities.

The TRICARE program is designed to serve this specific population. Some are recommending a health reform initiative that would put all 330 million Americans on TRICARE. This would drastically change the program. Service members, veterans, and their dependents soon would find themselves competing with millions of others to get the care they need.

Some military families already face wait times. A <u>2018 survey</u> conducted by the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) found that <u>28% of military families reported being</u> very satisfied. "With TRICARE, but 22% were either very or mostly "dissatisfied." More recent MOAA reported that TRICARE beneficiaries "continue to voice dissatisfaction with the cost of their care, and many are experiencing access to health care issues more frequently as more military treatment facilities are reducing services."

#### Hospitals and Doctors' Offices Would Struggle and Could Close...

Private doctors and hospitals want to take care of our active duty military personnel and rivate uocuso anu ruspirats want to take care or our active outry mintary personnel and veterans, but they are generally paid less. Most are willing to take TRICARE's lower payment rates because they want to care for America's heroes. But if they had to accept those rates for everyone, the results would be similar to what the CBO predicts would happen those rates for payment rates were to be universal: Doctors' offices and hospitals would have difficulty making ends meet, and many would close, especially in rural areas.

Physicians are able to accept TRICARE's payment rates because their practices also receive payments from private payers that fill the gap and keep their practices afloat. Without this mix of payments, many would go under.

Ask any doctor or hospital if they would be able to survive on Medicare payment rates alone, and virtually all would tell you it would be extremely difficult. See chart below to explain why

healthcare system," said Grace-Marie Turner, president of the Galen Institute. "But the more government gets involved, the more the health sector is forced to comply with countless rules and regulations rather than innovating to respond to more choices of more affordable care and coverage for patients ... 'Medicare for All' would take us further toward

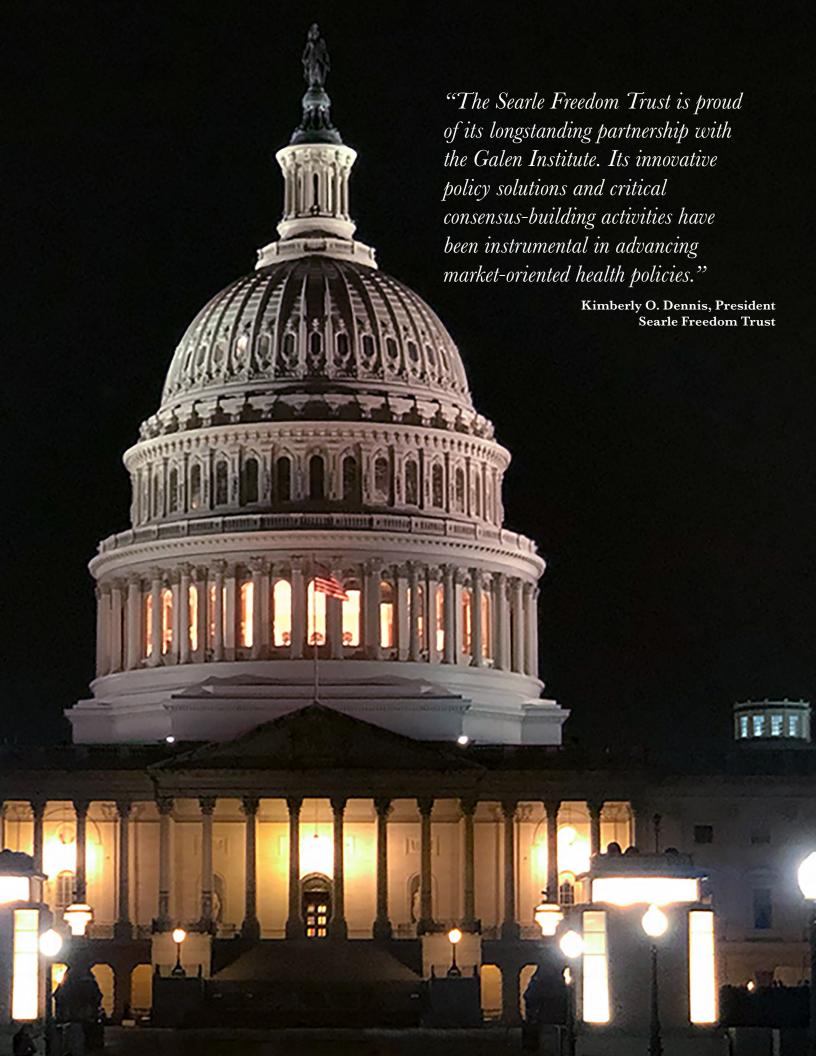
government control of our health

sector, with fewer choices."

MedPage Today, March 2022



February 2022



### With Gratitude

Following the Galen Institute's transition to its partnership with DonorsTrust, we extend sincere thanks to Galen's board of trustees who have faithfully guided and governed the Institute over the many years of our health reform battles.

I will be forever grateful for their generous commitment of time and talent in supporting the mission of the health freedom.

John S. Hoff, who helped found and create the Galen Institute in 1996, is our longest-serving board member and has provided his wise counsel to guide Galen's work for more than 26 years.

Thanks to John, Beth, and Judy and to all of our former trustees.

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