#### **Reforming Medicaid**

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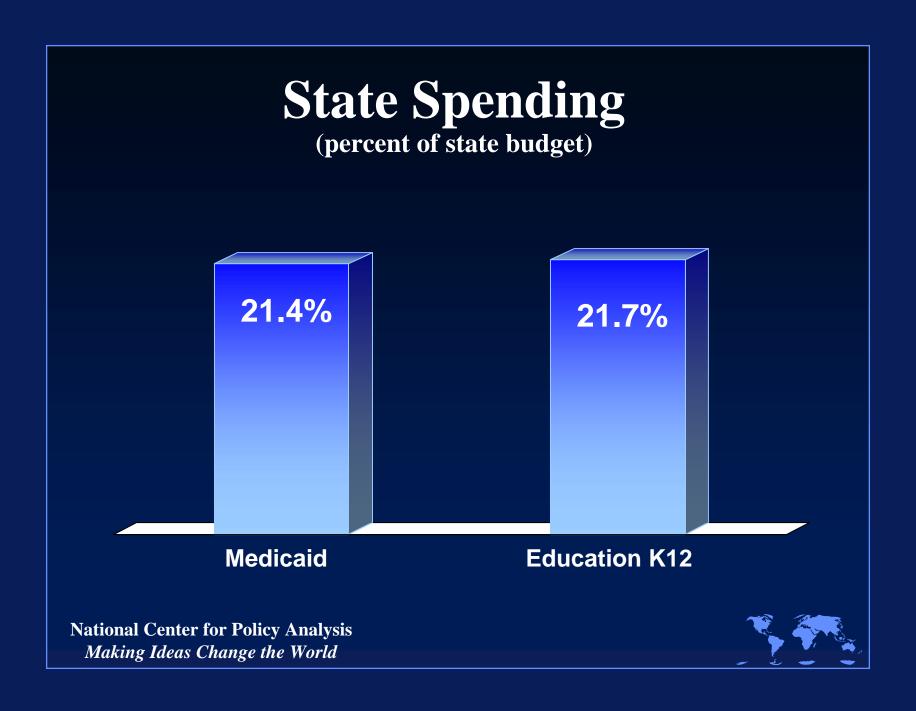
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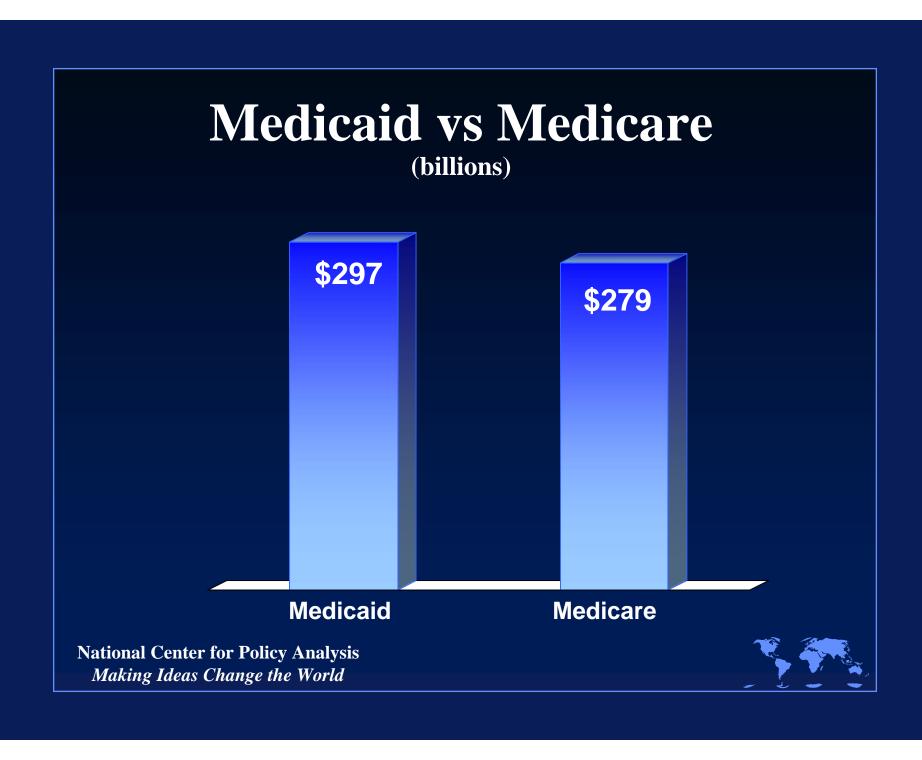


## **Problems**

Cost







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- Cost
- Quality



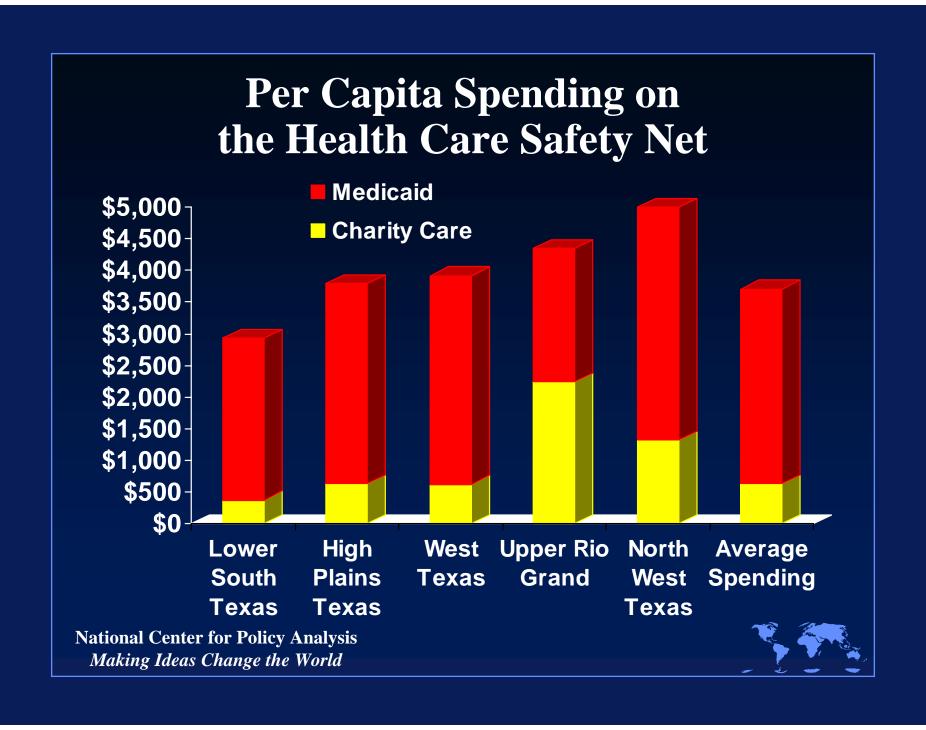
- Limited Choice of Doctors
- Waiting
- Rationing
- Corruption



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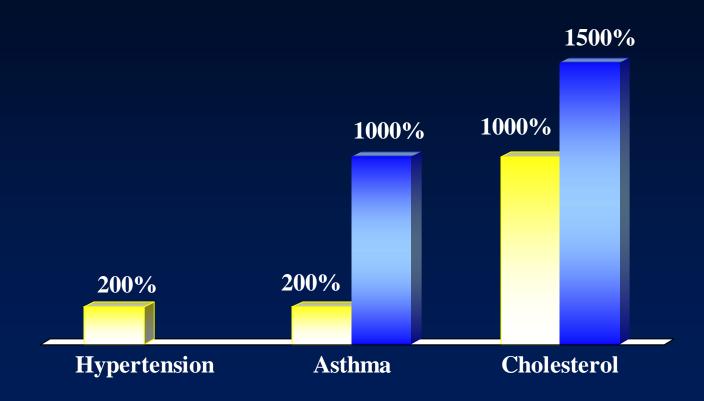


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- Reduce Optional Services









#### **Common Sense Reforms**

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- If Possible, Contract Out
- If Not Possible, Copy The Private Sector



Selective Contracting



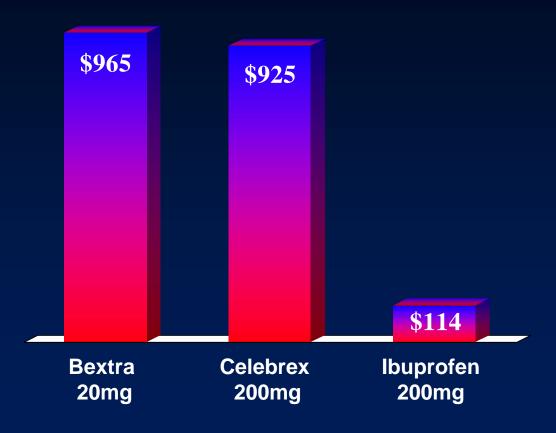
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- Selective Contracting
- Substitute Low-Cost Services for High-Cost Services
- Employ Smart Buying Techniques



#### **Annual Cost for Arthritis Pain Relief**





- Selective Contracting
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- Disease Management



#### **More Radical Reforms**

Health Savings Accounts



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- Health Savings Accounts
- Private Insurance



#### **More Radical Reforms**

- Health Savings Accounts
- Private Insurance
- Devolution



## **Overall Challenge**

Economic Problem



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- Economic Problem
- Political Problem



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