

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address January 12, 2017 “Fixing Our Broken Healthcare System”

Hello, this is your Congressman Michael Burgess.

It comes as no surprise that the Affordable Care Act has failed the American people.

Since day one of this law’s implementation, what we’ve found is almost every promise President Obama made was empty. American families were dropped from plans, premiums continue to rise. And the industry as a whole has been stymied by taxes and overregulation.

Repeal of the Affordable Care Act is a mandate issued to us by the American people when they elected a Republican Congress and a Republican President.

Americans have been crushed under the weight of the Affordable Care Act by its paralyzing costs, the limited choices, and the astonishing inflexibility. We can do better. And more importantly, we will do better.

Republicans have outlined a Better Way that will deliver meaningful solutions with the patient’s interest at its center. A Better Way is the roadmap to lowering health care costs and providing patients with more choices.

We have a plan for a 21st century health care system. And we are working to put that plan into place. This replacement will harness the power of health savings accounts empower states to increase flexibility and the replacement plan will expand choice through consumer directed health care and address competition in the insurance markets.

We are the rescue squad that will salvage our health care system.

Last week, I was named the Chairman of the Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Health. With this career honor comes significant responsibility. A great deal of hard work lies ahead in the coming weeks. Along with full committee Chairman Walden and the other members of the Health Subcommittee, I am committed, I am prepared to take on this great endeavor.

As always, I appreciate your comments and your questions on this issue or any other issue. May God bless you and your family and as the song says, God bless you Texas.