

Please join coalition of Doctors and Citizens for Ethics, Safety and Quality

**WHISTLEBLOWER WEEK
WASHINGTON D.C.
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*DUE PROCESS SAVES LIVES AND BILLIONS
NO TAX FUNDING WITHOUT ACCOUNTABILITY*

*HOSPITAL ERROR RATE IS UNACCEPTABLE BECAUSE
BADFAITH PEER REVIEW HARMS GOOD DOCTORS*

*"Of all the forms of inequality, injustice in health care is the
most shocking and most inhumane." Martin Luther King, Jr.*

**AT STAKE: Billions of dollars and thousands of deaths
Ethical Medical decisions undermined by Bad Faith Peer Review (BFPR)**

50 Public Interest groups have joined the Semmelweis Society and the Patient Quality Care Project to ask that patients and taxpayers be protected against bad faith peer review.

"We are no longer a voice crying out in the Wilderness," says meeting Chair, Roland Chalifoux DO. "We are pleased that the most eminent public interest groups in the country have joined us. Bad faith peer review is a danger to patients, citizens and taxpayers. This is not just an issue for doctors. This is an American issue."

Conservatives oppose waste and fraud, and liberals protect the medical safety net. Quality medicine is part of both the right to life. Health Care Integrity is at the core of faith-based initiatives.

Hospitals can terminate a doctor's career without cause using Bad Faith Peer Review (BFPR). Big medicine uses BFPR to stifle competition, decrease quality, increase profit, and increase cost, and to silence whistleblower doctors, doctors who push for high quality treatments. HMOs hold the sword of Damocles over Marcus Welby-type doctors.

80% of current peer reviews have little to do with actual merit. Is the Hippocratic oath dead? Does your doctor work for you? The answers are going to surprise you.

COALITION FOR HEALTH INTEGRITY: *o Government Accountability Project o Semmelweis International o No FEAR Institute o VA Whistleblower Coalition (VAWBC) o Taxpayers Against Fraud o Congressional Progressive Caucus o Caucus o Gandhi Institute for Nonviolence o Ethics in Government Group o The Center for Peer Review Justice o AAPS- American Association of Physicians and Surgeons*

Please check out the various websites; www.semmelweis.org , www.aapsonline.org, GAP, VA Whistleblower Coalition for additional info.