

TODAY'S "SHORT TOPIC"

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By Stephen L. Bakke  January 29, 2015

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In the 1-28 rant Pitts pointed to "ACA death panels" as an example of "gonad-grabbing swagger" by Fox. While I believe using "death" terminology was unfortunate, it all started from a basis in fact over fear the ACA would ration health care to citizens based on age, condition, or some other measurement.

Remember the ACA architect Dr. Ezekial Emanuel? Back in 2009 he insinuated a desire to discuss whether medical care should be first reserved for the non-disabled, and not guaranteed to those "who are irreversibly prevented from being or becoming participating citizens ... (e.g.) ... patients with dementia."

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