



## Why should I support Vermonters for Health Care Freedom?

***Effective Advocacy:*** VHCF is the number one organization sought by the media to critique the health care reform policies of the Shumlin Administration. As the 2012 reform bill was working its way through the legislature, VHCF was the principal voice of opposition to the bill. VHCF's advocacy successfully persuaded influential media voices to inform Vermonters of the bill's dangerous implications.

***Critical Analysis:*** VHCF single-handedly engages the multiple single payer advocacy groups and their supporters in the arena of ideas. These groups have worked effectively for decades to frame the challenges of health care reform in a way that excludes consideration of anything other than the single payer model. Through research and our own network of experts, VHCF regularly produces insightful commentaries and rebuttals of false and misleading claims by single payer advocates.

***Education:*** VHCF is the only non-profit organization in Vermont solely dedicated to educating the public and legislators about the damaging effects of government monopoly health care and the impact it will have on Vermont's fragile economy and on our current, high quality health care system that provides coverage to more than 92% of all Vermonters. VHCF sponsors forums, appears on public policy television programs, makes presentations to community and professional groups, and serves as an expert resource.

***Mass Communications:*** VHCF uses television, radio, the internet and other media to educate Vermonters about these critical issues with messages that resonate and inform. Our highly effective television campaign informing Vermonters that the Shumlin Administration will not release the Green Mountain Care budget or financing plan until four months after the November elections prompted a great deal of debate and amendments offered in both Houses of the legislature.

***Newsletter:*** VHCF's weekly email newsletter is a reliable source of news, information and commentary that is simply not available anywhere else. Stories about the crisis in Canadian health care as told by Canadians through their own media help our members see the future of health care in Vermont under Green Mountain Care. Articles, commentaries and VHCF reports about Vermont's reform efforts keep members aware of even the things the Shumlin Administration would prefer to hide.

***Facebook:*** Click 'LIKE' on our Facebook page and have our multiple daily news and commentary feeds about Vermont, Canada and U.S. National health care reforms delivered to your wall as they happen.