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<u>Mike Rounds</u>	<u>candidate for U.S. Senate</u>
<u>Steven Rathner</u>	
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<u>Sarah Palin</u>	
<u>Howard Dean</u>	
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**We need death panels.** Well, maybe not death panels, exactly, but unless we start **allocating health care resources** more prudently — rationing, by its proper name — the exploding cost of Medicare will swamp the federal budget.

— Steven Rattner, former Obama Czar, "Beyond Obamacare," New York Times Op-Ed, 16 Sept 2012

[G]overnment health care will not reduce the cost; it will simply refuse to pay the cost. **And who will suffer the most when they ration care? The sick, the elderly, and the disabled, of course.** The America I know and love is not one in which my parents or my baby with Down Syndrome will have to stand in front of Obama's 'death panel' so his bureaucrats can decide, based on a subjective judgment of their 'level of productivity in society,' whether they are worthy of health care. **Such a system is downright evil.**

— Sarah Palin, Facebook post, 7 Aug 2009

I think he said **what we have to do is not call it rationing**, because clearly there is from H.M.O. days a concern about rationing.

— Gov. Mike Rounds, after meeting with President Obama on Healthcare Reform, "Obama Steers Health Debate Out of Capital," New York Times, 29 Jun 2009

Some of people's concerns have grown out of bogus claims spread by those whose only agenda is to kill reform at any cost. The best example is the claim, made not just by radio and cable talk show hosts, but prominent politicians, that **we plan to set up panels of bureaucrats with the power to kill off senior citizens.** Such a charge would be laughable if it weren't so cynical and irresponsible. It is a lie, plain and simple.

— President Barack Obama, Health Care Address, 9 Sep 2009

One major problem [with the Affordable Care Act] is the so-called Independent Payment Advisory Board. **The IPAB is essentially a health-care rationing body.** By setting doctor reimbursement rates for Medicare and determining which procedures and drugs will be covered and at what price, **the IPAB will be able to stop certain treatments its members do not favor by simply setting rates to levels where no doctor or hospital will perform them.**

— Howard Dean, former Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, "The Affordable Care Act's Rate Setting Won't Work," Wall Street Journal Opinion, 28 Jul 2013

**If you like your doctor, you can keep your doctor.**

— President Barack Obama, several media sources, 2009-2010

**Obamacare is bad for the country and I have always opposed it.**

— Mike Rounds, President of Fischer-Rounds insurance company and current candidate for U.S. Senate, Facebook post, 30 Jul 2013

Our primary purpose is to explore how states can move forward in providing health insurance under the Affordable Care Act. **I am delighted to be working with Gov. Rounds on this.**

— Tom Daschle, "Former Gov. Rounds joins health insurance task force," Rapid City Journal, 11 Feb 2011

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