

PREYING ON PATIENTS

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SYNOPSIS

The German and French national health care systems range among the world's most costly. And yet, medical care deteriorates. No private insurance? Be ready to wait in line for an appointment, expect hurried examinations and hefty co-payments. How did we get to this point? What is going on behind the scenes of health care system? Who is pulling the strings? "Preying on Patients" illuminates on many levels the web that doctors, pharmaceutical concerns, politicians and investors spin around the ill and sick. In a multi billion business, the patient becomes the pawn, the prey. Carefully researched case stories uncover long term strategies and motives of the health system's different players - and how they carry out their struggle at the cost of those who can not fight back: the patients.

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