

I support this proposal, There is a finite amount of resources that can be directed to health care. Demands are potentially unlimited. As the unchecked outlier cost of pharmaceuticals increases, it draws down on resources that can go to broader health improvements of Oregonians. It is disingenuous and largely unsubstantiated to suggest that 'innovation would cease.' Most of the important innovations are conducted by collaborations, using public resources, not in the secret of private companies. The notion that perpetuation of the status quo would lead better cost controls and outcomes is wrong. There is nothing but good public policy that can come from a transparent examination of exceptionally costly pharmaceuticals.
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