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We appreciate the government's effort to plan a sustainable healthcare system for the future.

Working in a Rehabilitation Hospital, we often come across elderly patients with minimal resources for long-term care and children of these elderly patients unwilling to assist in discharge planning. Since the cost of staying in a public hospital is cheaper than finding a nursing home, many will try to stay as inpatient for as long as possible and result in breakdown in communication, patient-doctor relationship, complaints, threats and hospital-acquired infections. In the mean time, we are always chasing the performance indicators for keeping lengths of stay short and cost-cutting. The pressure on frontline workers is enormous for those caring for the disabled and the old.

I support a sustainable plan for which patients are made to be aware of their own responsibility for their health care and which encourages judicious use of resources. Long term care is another problem which you have not addressed in this proposal and requires urgent consideration.

I support Option 3 – medical savings account

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