

# HEALTH IS PRIMARY

Primary care can help put the health back in health care. A system based on primary care can help us deliver on the Triple Aim: better health, better care, and lower costs.

**AMERICANS AGREE:** primary care should be a priority for policy makers.

86% OF AMERICANS AGREE THAT PRIMARY CARE LEADS TO:



Healthier patients



Higher quality health care



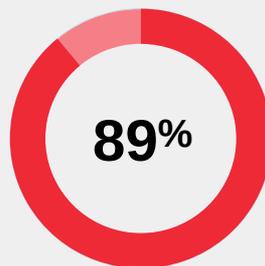
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## AMERICANS' PRIORITIES FOR HEALTH

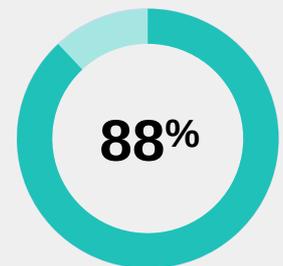
## AMERICANS' PRIORITIES FOR HEALTHCARE

### HEALTHIER PATIENTS

Family doctors treat patients, not conditions. We want everyone to have a primary care physician who sees them as a whole person and provides them with quality, coordinated care.



say it's important to **have a relationship with a doctor or physician** who knows your health background and your family and medical history



say **ensure access to family and primary care physicians**

### HIGHER QUALITY HEALTH CARE

American voters agree: for too long, our health care system has been out of balance. A strong foundation of primary care can help put the system back into balance.

84%

say **invest in prevention**



88%

say **ensure coverage for preventive and wellness care** to keep patients healthy

88%

say **ensure an adequate supply of primary care doctors**

### LOWER COSTS

Recent studies have shown that investing in primary care reduces costs of our health care system overall. In fact, one study found that every **\$1** invested in primary care leads to **\$13 in savings**.\*

91%

say that **affordability of health care** is important



85%

say **change how doctors are paid** to emphasize better care and improving patient health instead of number of procedures

89%

say **reduce the overall cost of the health system**

\*Oregon Health Authority, September 2016.

This poll was conducted from February 02 - April 19, 2017 among a national sample of 22,798 registered voters. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of +/- 1 percentage point.