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Dr. Michael Richman returns to The Dennis Prager Show on KRLA 870 AM Radio on Tuesday, August 4th at 10:00AM PDT, 2009 to discuss a practicing physician's perspective on the intricate and confusing Health Care Reform Bill.

A regular guest on The Dennis Prager Show, Dr. Richman has covered topics specific to his specialty as a heart surgeon and lipid specialist including the safety of statin therapy, advanced cholesterol testing, risk factors for metabolic syndrome and the truth about HDL cholesterol.

Tuesday, August 4th at 10A Pacific, Dr. Richman gives a unique perspective on the controversial Health Care Reform Bill and how a government-sponsored health insurance program could affect the care you receive as a patient. How government-run insurance stacks-up against private insurance and how he and other colleagues believe a government-sponsored healthcare system goes beyond low rates to doctors but sacrifices the patient in the long run.

The American Medical Association has told members of Congress that doctors fear a new government-sponsored health insurance program would reimburse them at Medicare rates. "Medicare reimbursement rates have not kept pace with the cost of practice," said AMA President Dr. Nancy Nielsen. "Our Medicare rates are back at 2001 rates, and the reality is, that's not where our rent is, that's not where the electricity is. The system for paying doctors is a broken system, and everybody acknowledges it."

Michael F. Richman, MD, FACS, FCCP is a cardiothoracic surgeon and lipid specialist and is medical and scientific director of The Center for Cholesterol Management in Los Angeles, California. He has been a practicing physician for more than 12 years. Dr. Richman is currently the Medical Cholesterol Expert on WebMD and offers advice to millions about heart health and cholesterol. More information on Dr. Richman and advanced cholesterol testing can be found at: www.lipidcenter.com

Dennis Prager is one of America's most respected radio talk show hosts. He has been broadcasting on radio in Los Angeles since 1982. His popular show became nationally syndicated in 1999 and airs live, Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to Noon (Pacific Time) from his home station, **KRLA**. More information on the Dennis Prager Show can be found here: www.dennisprager.townhall.com

The podcasts of Dr. Richman's guest appearances can be found at: http://dennisprager.townhall.com/talkradio/Show.aspx?RadioShowID=3