



CREW's study of health care contributions to summit participants

The White House initially invited 21 lawmakers -- the House and Senate leadership as well as the chairmen and ranking members of the committees with jurisdiction over the health care sector -- to a bi-partisan health care summit on February 25th. The goal of the meeting is to renew efforts to pass health care reform legislation.

A review of campaign finance records shows the health care establishment has invested heavily in the campaigns of the members of Congress invited to the meeting. In total, these 21 lawmakers have taken nearly \$28 million in campaign donations from health care interests since 2005. These donations include contributions from health professionals (including physicians, pharmacists, nurses, and others providing health care services) and their trade associations, as well as the employees and political action committees (PACs) of hospitals and nursing homes; pharmaceutical and health product companies; health services firms; HMOs; health and accident insurers; and miscellaneous health care interests (such as research groups).

Ranked from highest to lowest, the invitees received the following contributions to their campaign committees and leadership PACs since 2005:

- Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) received at least \$2,557,930.
- Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) received at least \$2,223,985.
- Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA) received at least \$1,982,904.
- Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY) received at least \$1,897,093.
- Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD) received at least \$1,842,311.
- Rep. Joe Barton (R-TX) received at least \$1,646,218.
- Rep. John Boehner (R-OH) received at least \$1,645,025.
- Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) received at least \$1,640,375.
- Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ) received at least \$1,638,722.
- Sen. Chuck Grassley (R-IA) received at least \$1,384,520.
- Rep. Dave Camp (R-MI) received at least \$1,262,787.
- Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT) received at least \$1,225,900.
- Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA) received at least \$1,149,165.
- Rep. John Dingell (D-MI) received at least \$1,088,360.
- Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) received at least \$1,055,600.
- Rep. James Clyburn (D-SC) received at least \$1,033,079.
- Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY) received at least \$817,961.

- Sen. Dick Durbin (D-IL) received at least \$726,434.
- Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA) received at least \$706,051.
- Rep. George Miller (D-CA) received at least \$222,784.
- Rep. John Kline (R-MN) received at least \$197,250.

Industry Breakdown:

Top 5 Recipients of Health Professional Contributions:

- Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) received at least \$829,741.
- Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) received at least \$802,500.
- Sen. Jon Kyl (R-AZ) received at least \$719,583.
- Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD) received at least \$709,261.
- Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) received at least \$692,575.

Top 5 Recipients of Hospital/Nursing Home Contributions:

- Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY) received at least \$572,237.
- Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) received at least \$478,326.
- Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) received at least \$446,250.
- Rep. Steny Hoyer (D-MD) received at least \$428,150.
- Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) received at least \$314,200.

Top 5 Recipients of Pharmaceutical/Health Products Contributions:

- Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) received at least \$777,113.
- Rep. Joe Barton (R-TX) received at least \$620,450.
- Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) received at least \$616,985.
- Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA) received at least \$575,050.
- Rep. John Boehner (R-OH) received at least \$563,925.

Top 5 Recipients of Health Services/HMOs/Insurance Contributions:

- Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA) received at least \$483,750.
- Sen. Max Baucus (D-MT) received at least \$465,250.
- Sen. Chris Dodd (D-CT) received at least \$460,400.
- Rep. John Boehner (R-OH) received at least \$381,000.
- Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) received at least \$355,570.

Major Source of Funds:

- More than 1 in every 5 dollars raised by Sen. Grassley, Sen. Enzi, Rep. Camp, Rep. Waxman, Rep. Barton, and Rep. Dingell came from health care interests.

Party Breakdown:

- Republican invitees to the summit have taken in at least \$12,799,372 from health care interests.
- Democratic invitees to the summit have taken in at least \$15,145,082 from health care interests.

Total Health Care Dollars to 21 Members and President: at least \$46,637,777.

- Since 2005, summit invitees have received at least \$27,944,454.
- In the 2008 presidential election cycle, President Obama's campaign received at least \$18,693,323.

Industry Totals:

- Health professionals have contributed at least \$22,002,458 to health summit participants and the president.
- Health services, HMOs, and health and accident insurers have contributed at least \$6,394,469 to health summit participants and the president.
- The hospital and nursing home industry has contributed at least \$8,135,591 to health summit participants and the president.
- The pharmaceutical and health products industry has contributed at least \$9,767,042 to health summit participants and the president.

Methodology: CREW relied on data from OpenSecrets.org to compile this report. CREW examined President Obama's presidential campaign contributions dating from 2007, and the campaign contributions for members of Congress dating from 2005.