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**About file** - Having put in 40 years as a primary care physician in small towns and rural areas, I think I can offer some advise. One third of physicians in primary care already have signs in their office "We do not accept new patients." When you put 34 million new office patients in to the mix, almost all will put up signs, "No New patients." What is needed is 100,000 more primary care doctors. The office practice is full now. These patients will be right back in the ER. Obama has given this no thought. He thinks Medicare can be expanded by orders from the top and that giving those without insurance cards a card will work. It won't. Over worked doctors will retire or go into another field. JPH