THE STATE OF QUEBEC’S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN NUMBERS

Increase of net per capita public spending on health care in 30 years: 90%

Percentage of the Quebec population with no regular doctor in 2012: 25%

Percentage of emergency room patients who had to wait 5 hours or more to be seen in 2013: 35%

Percentage of patients who had to wait 6 days or more before getting an appointment with a doctor in 2013: 48%

Average number of days spent waiting for an appointment with a specialist in 2011: 78 days

1993: 7.3 weeks
2013: 17.8 weeks

Median wait time between visiting a general practitioner and getting treatment by a specialist

Amount of combined losses of salaries from the 214,144 patients waiting for medical treatment in the public system in 2012: $200,000,000

Public health care spending per capita in 2013: $4000

Proportion of Quebecers who want greater access to private health care system in 2013: 66%

SIX PROPOSED REFORMS BY THE MEI

1. Promote freedom of choice for patients and competition between care providers
2. Promote the emergence of a true private hospital market
3. Increase funding for health care through duplicate private health insurance
4. Allow mixed practice in order to increase the supply of medical specialists
5. Fund hospitals based on services rendered
6. Make the publication of hospital performance indicators mandatory