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The Justice Department was working to stop UnitedHealth Group, the biggest health care conglomerate from acquiring Amedisys which provides home health care and hospice services. Now the Justice Department has reversed course and drop its efforts to stop the merger. Our health care system is a disaster where mergers and acquisitions are the name of the game and giant health care corporations like United Health prosper off controlling the market and finding ever more ways to delay and deny care. Corporate efforts to deny people needed care is already killing people while health care monopolies continue to grow. As a now retired health care provider I've seen it first hand. Your decision to drop the case is a betrayal of every person who needs or will need health care. It is shameful. You need to reverse it.

How many hundreds of thousands of Americans need to die due to medical corporation greed before you take action? Or will you just continue to let this continue while allowing more corporate mergers knowing that most Americans who need care don't have the means to fight back when it is denied. The entire system is shameful! Other wealthy countries provide health care for their people. Sadly in our country corporate profit matters while human life does not.

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