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Economic Liberties launched Break Up Big Medicine to take on healthcare conglomerates that drive costs up, quality down, and independent providers out of business. Our goal? To push policymakers to enact the structural reforms necessary to heal our sick healthcare system.

In these monthly newsletters, we share stories from the tens of thousands of patients, healthcare workers, and elected officials who have joined this fight; the latest research findings, news stories, and policy developments; and ways you can get involved.

Today, we want to spotlight the Justice Department, which recently [reversed course](#) on UnitedHealth Group's proposed \$3.3 billion acquisition of home health and hospice care provider Amedisys. Last year, the department sued to block the transaction, arguing that it would eliminate head-to-head competition between the merging parties that lowers costs, improves care quality, and betters working conditions for healthcare workers. But earlier this month it [proposed](#) to settle the case, caving to Big Medicine at the expense of vulnerable hospice patients and the workers who care for them.

U.S. District Judge James Bredar, who is presiding over the case, must use his authority under the 1974 Tunney Act to scrutinize the Justice Department's proposed settlement in the best interest of the public.

Do the right thing and don't cave in to tRAMP and big businesses becoming too big!! Jeff Alexander, a concerned citizen and consumer. Email is [jpalola002@Redacted](#)