Alek Skarlatos’s views on health care are out-of-touch and would hurt Oregon families. Skarlatos said he would repeal the Affordable Care Act, which would allow wealthy insurance companies to kick Oregonians off their health coverage if they have a pre-existing condition. Skarlatos even supports cutting over $500 billion from Medicare while increasing insurance company profits by nearly $80 billion.

**Skarlatos: “I Do Believe In Repealing The Affordable Care Act.”** “[15:40] MODERATOR: Do you support efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act, and if so, what would your be plan to cover the people who would lose insurance by that repeal? Skarlatos: Well I do believe in repealing the Affordable Care Act, but I believe in replacing it and I believe in protecting people with pre-existing conditions.” [City Club of Eugene, 10/15/20]

The Affordable Care Act Prevented Insurers From Denying Coverage Or Charging More If An Individual Had A Preexisting Condition. “In the old days, insurance companies had ways to avoid selling policies to people who were likely to cost more than insurers wanted to spend. They might deny them coverage outright, or exclude coverage for a known condition, or charge so much that insurance became unaffordable. The Affordable Care Act boxes out the old insurance practices with a package of legal moves. First, it says point-blank that carriers ‘may not impose any preexisting condition exclusion.’ It backs that up with another section that says they ‘may not establish rules for eligibility’ based on health status, medical condition, claims experience or medical history.” [Politifact, 10/17/18]

Skarlatos On Trump: “I Think Everything That He's Done So Far Has Been Overall A Net Positive For This Country.” “[9:37] I mean I support the president. I think everything that he's done so far has been overall a net positive for this country and I think we're at least moving in the right direction. Obviously there are some specific things and maybe his demeanor that I think he could do better but I don't think that there's any person in the world that's perfect. I think President Trump is at least moving the country in the right direction overall.” [KOIN 6, YouTube, 6/16/20]

Skarlatos: I Support Trump “100%.” [@AlekSkarlatos, Twitter, 9/25/19]

2020: Trump Proposed Cutting Medicare Spending By $501 Billion. “President Trump’s 2021 budget proposes about $500 billion in net Medicare spending reductions over ten years (see table), most of which would come from reducing payments to health care providers and not affect beneficiaries directly.” [CBPP, 2/13/20]
Trump Supported The Tax Cuts And Jobs Act. “President Trump has called the $1.5 trillion tax cut that Republican lawmakers are on the verge of passing a Christmas present for the entire nation.” [New York Times, 12/16/17]

Americans For Tax Fairness: Under Republican Tax Reform, The “Big 10” Pharmaceutical Companies “Will Save $76 Billion In Taxes On Their Offshore Profits Alone.” “America’s 10 biggest prescription-drug corporations—the Pharma Big 10—are among the biggest winners from the Trump-GOP tax cuts but they are sharing few of the benefits with their employees and are offering no pricing relief to their customers. […] The Pharma Big 10 will save $76 billion in taxes on their offshore profits alone. The 10 firms had $506 billion in untaxed profits offshore in 2017, on which they owed nearly $134 billion under previous law. Under the Trump-GOP tax regime they will owe only about $57 billion—a tax savings of $76 billion—and they can stretch their tax payments over eight years.” [Americans for Tax Fairness, April 2018]