

SQUANDERING BILLIONS - BOOK REVIEW

'Squandering Billions is a remarkably readable treatise that addresses many of the ills of the health-care delivery and payment system in Canada. An intriguing aspect of the analysis is that the geography could be changed and other players substituted, and the ills and the solutions would be the same, country after country. Congratulations are due Mr. Bannerman and Dr. Nixdorf for presenting the case that the sickest aspect of health care in Canada (and many developed nations) may very well be the thinking that created and perpetuates the system itself.'

--Dr. Gerry Clum, Life Chiropractic College West president,
World Federation of Chiropractic first vice-president

'I read the first draft of the manuscript of the book with great interest. The book lays out the evolution of health care in Canada and its original premise, and very concisely takes the reader through the activities that have created the significant departure of our health-care system from its original intentions. While many Canadians may have a sense of "what's not working," this book leaves little room for lack of understanding and clarity about exactly what is not working and why. The book should cause readers to recognize that we all play a role in demanding a greater level of accountability on the part of governments at every level, health-care professionals, and ourselves as recipients and funders of our health system. This is certainly a book that we should be sharing with as many of our friends, patients, politicians and colleagues as possible.'

--Deb Manz, MBA, College of Chiropractors of
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