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September means back to school around the country, and at Benjamin Rush Institute it is the most exciting time of the year. Our chapters are back in full swing and a new class of medical students is eager to learn about how to become the best doctors they can be. Part of that is understanding how health policy proposals will affect them upon graduation. It's our job at BRI to make certain that their excellent medical education also includes how to best preserve the doctor-patient relationship through free market healthcare alternatives. This education is particularly lacking on American medical campuses today.

What actually happens when BRI students go back to school? BRI chapter leaders in 17 states and three countries were busy this summer planning exciting events, starting with school-wide organizations fairs. BRI chapters have already organized debates on single-payer healthcare, participated in podcasts on climate change, held book club meetings, and planned meet and greets with prominent physicians. And these are all on their calendars before the end of 2019.

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BRI is proud to announce the 50th *NexGenMed* podcast. Next Generation Medicine, or [NexGenMed](#) has featured thought-leaders in medicine, public policy, economists, and many more. Our 50th podcast features [Naomi Lopez Bauman](#), director of healthcare policy at the Goldwater Institute, who discusses the high cost of prescription drugs, the future need for primary care physicians, and much more - [LISTEN NOW](#).



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#### **What are our students talking about?**

*HR 3708* - The Primary Care Enhancement Act of 2019 is the session's attempt to clarify the tax treatment of Direct Primary Care periodic medical service fees. Read [HERE](#) for more information.

*Single-payer Healthcare* - As the race for President heats up, a single-payer healthcare system gets more and more coverage. Many interesting new thoughts come out daily for our students to talk about. Read some of these articles [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

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#### **Want to get more involved?**

Our students hold hundreds of events every year, education thousands of students on positive, proven free market healthcare policies that preserve and protect the most fundamental of medical relationships - that of doctor-patient. If you would like to help us continue our growth to have a vibrant chapter in every

If you are or know a medical student or resident interested in starting a BRI chapter, contact Rebecca at [rebecca@benjaminrushinstitute.org](mailto:rebecca@benjaminrushinstitute.org). We are growing fast, but can only continue to expand with your help.

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