

## **REASONS OF HEALTH CARE EXPENDITURE GROWTH MINIAR BEN AMMAR SGHARI**

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### **Abstract**

The rapid growth of healthcare expenditures in the past 40 years in many industrial countries has contributed to an improvement in life expectancy and the quality of life, but economists have to date failed to reach an agreement on what the main determinants of this development are. The share of health care expenditure in GDP rises rapidly in virtually all OECD countries, causing increasing concern among politicians and the general public. This paper offers a ready explanation for the observed inexorable rise in health care expenditure.

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