iRANian wrote on Mon, 30 December 2013 07:07>Democrat president
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And it's nice how you act as if my sources are non-mainstream and fringe when you cite Huffington Post and Slate..

>My family's healthcare costs rose about $5 per pay period this year. I went from paying $230 in monthly premiums to paying roughly $240. How will I ever survive?

All the premiums are set to rise in 2014...Nonetheless ObamaCare is a pretty sweet deal for poor people. It just gigantically hurts the middle class.

Here's a funny thing to note, party doesn't determine ideology. Even in the Republican party, there's gay members. You know, in a party that overwhelmingly hates them. The parties in this country are not monolithic entities, they have sub-factions that veer from the general party agenda. There are Democrats that are basically conservative in all but their party name.

So when I tell you that Obama is a conservative, it's because Obama has a lot of conservative principles now. He started off substantially different - like around 2003 when he wanted single-payer insurance AKA universal healthcare. Somewhere along the line in Congress, that idea turned into this. I've linked it before in this thread, but the ACA is a Heritage Foundation idea. The HF is a conservative think-tank. I can only assume that Obama compromised in the hopes that states would go along with it, but just about every Republican state decided they'd let the Federal government do the market exchanges for them. Kind of funny coming from people who complain about government overreach, isn't it?

I'm in the middle class. My premiums are barely being affected. Most employer-provided insurance plans are given to people in the middle class. If they prepared for the ACA rollout, the insurance increase should be minimal like it is for my company - and I work for people who fervently dislike the president and his ACA overhaul.