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*"The objectives of CHAS were to develop a research program and project within it to comprehend the structure and operation of the existing health services system and its impact on the general population."*

--Odin Anderson, 1966

# Propitious timing

Timeliness of Social Work and Health Convening at the University of Chicago could not be more propitious as a distinguished cadre of social work scholars and leaders gather to discuss the state of social work research and training in healthcare

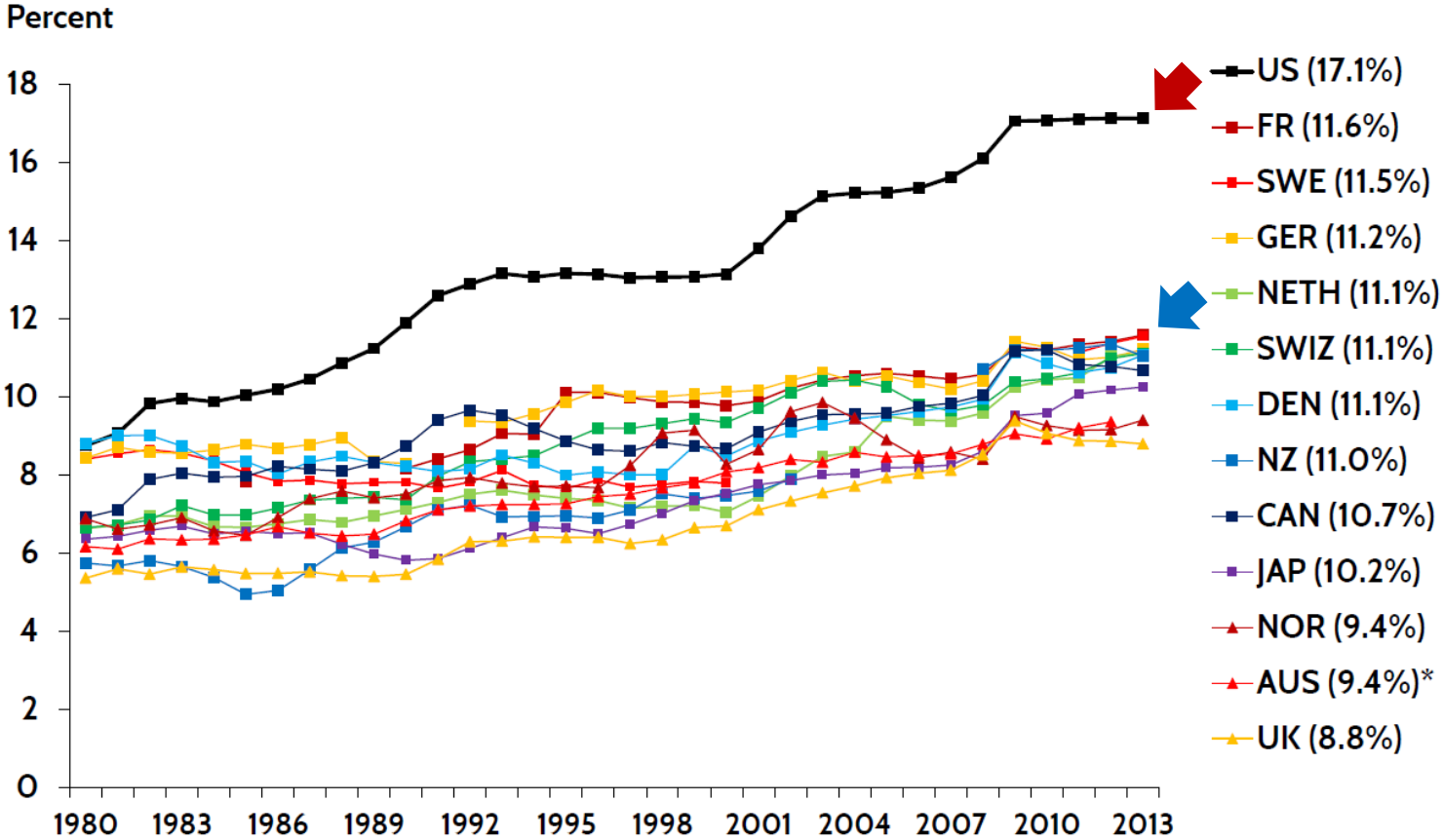
---at the same time that the Republican-controlled Congress has gathered to repeal – without credible plan for replacement – the Affordable Care Act.

*-- January 3, 2017 blog, Charles Lewis, Congressional Research Institute for Social Work & Policy*

# Context for Social Work and Health for Convening

Despite the uncertain political context, significant commitment to controlling health care COSTS, increasing ACCESS and improving QUALITY.

# Exhibit 1. Health Care Spending as a Percentage of GDP, 1980–2013

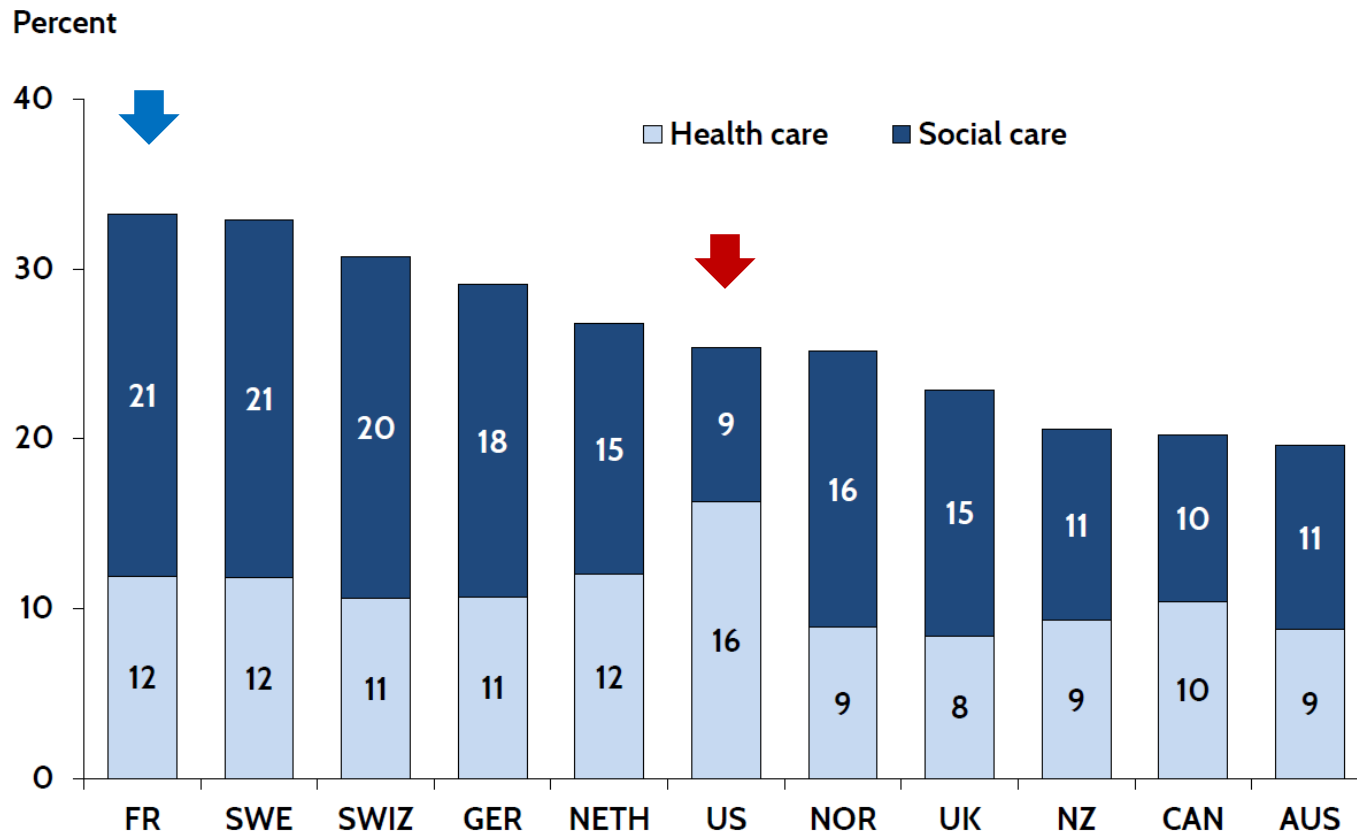


\* 2012.

Notes: GDP refers to gross domestic product. Dutch and Swiss data are for current spending only, and exclude spending on capital formation of health care providers.

Source: OECD Health Data 2015.

## Exhibit 8. Health and Social Care Spending as a Percentage of GDP



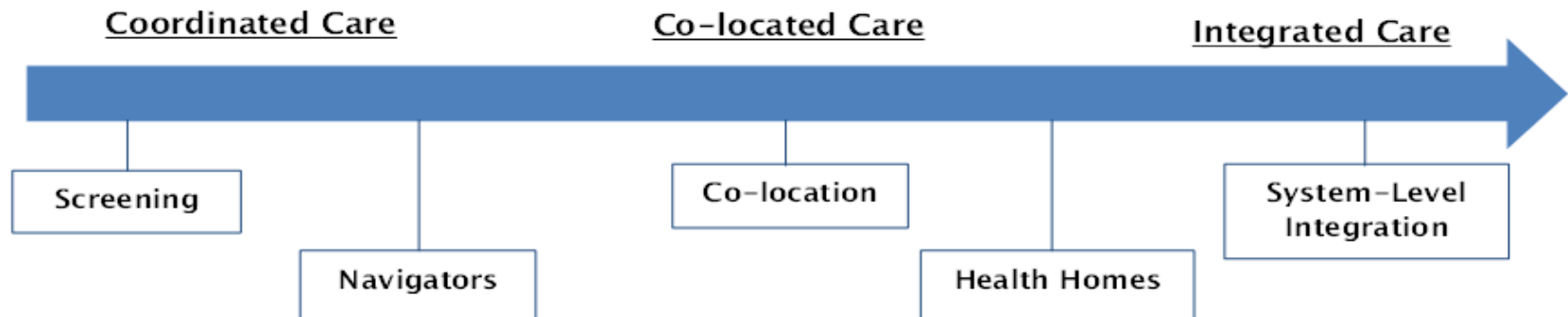
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Source: E. H. Bradley and L. A. Taylor, *The American Health Care Paradox: Why Spending More Is Getting Us Less*, Public Affairs, 2013.

# QUALITY: Models of service integration

Figure 1

## Continuum of Physical and Behavioral Health Care Integration



Nardone, M. and Snyder, S. Issue Brief: Integrating Physical and Behavioral health Care: Promising Medicaid Models. The Kaiser Commission on Medicaid and the Uninsured, February 2014.



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# Context leading to Convening Goals

## GOALS:

- (1) To review and assess the state of social work knowledge, practice and educational models in health policy and practice
- (2) To recognize emerging research and training models of social work related to social determinants of health and integrated into health policy and service delivery initiatives broadly conceived
- (3) To contribute to ongoing planning to increase capacity of health social work to contribute to improving Nation's health for all



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