# **Health Care Revolt**

# How to Organize, Build a Health Care System, and Resuscitate Democracy—All at the Same Time

### **Michael Fine**

## Foreword by Bernard Lown and Ariel Lown Lewiton

The U.S. does not have a health system. Instead we have market for health-related goods and services, a market in which the few profit from the public's ill-health.

Health Care Revolt looks around the world for examples of health care systems that are effective and affordable, pictures such a system for the U.S., and creates a practical playbook for a political revolution in health care that will allow the nation to protect health while strengthening democracy.

Dr. Fine writes with the wisdom of a clinician, the savvy of a state public health commissioner, the precision of a scholar, and the energy and commitment of a community organizer.

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#### **ACCOLADES**

"This is a revolutionary book. The author incites readers to embark on an audacious revolution to convert the American medical market into the American health care system."

-T.P. Gariepy, Stonehill College/CHOICE connect

"Michael Fine is one of the true heroes of primary care over several decades."

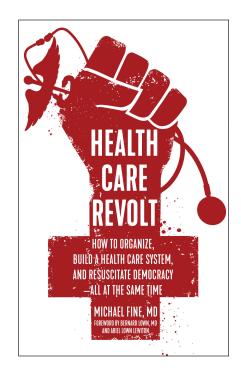
–Dr. Doug Henley, CEO and executive vice president of the American Academy of Family Physicians

"As Rhode Island's director of health, Dr. Fine brought a vision of a humane, local, integrated health care system that focused as much on health as on disease and treatment."

-U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse

"Michael Fine has given us an extraordinary biopic on health care in America based on the authority of his forty-year career as writer, community organizer, family physician, and public health official."

-Fitzhugh Mullan, MD



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