Another Slap in the Face from Prez Fierce Advocate!

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"I'm pleased to report that over the weekend we reached an understanding that will help close the notorious 'doughnut hole' in Medicare Part D. This is a significant breakthrough on the road to health care reform -- one that will make the difference in the lives of many older Americans."

~ President Obama / June 22, 2009

Yes, hurray hurray for seniors over fifty on meds, most of which are generics, unless they happen to have AIDS. There are a lot of seniors with AIDS, don't get me wrong, and the number is growing. But what about me, I'm on a fixed income, am I the ONLY one paying closed to over $7000 to Big Pharma annually? Every year the "doughnut hole" grows larger: '08 $4050; '09 $4375; etc. Who knows how much it will be with I'm a senior? This "doughnut hole" was a typical half-assed Obama move. No mention of creating a Federal ADAP system, or, god forbid, a PEPFAR for the United States? (Giving drugs away to AIDS orphans in Florida...that's preposterous? Uganda...do you want my FedEx number?) I have written my senators, posted blogs, and even drafted a letter to President-Elect Obama on Change.org, hoping desperately he would make a different. If Prez Fierce Advocate REALLY wanted to make a different he should have cut the cost of the "doughnut hole" for ALL participants on Medicare, more importantly people with AIDS whose only option is brand name drugs. I guess Obama isn't man enough to really tangle with Big Pharma, start looking at their balance sheets, and see who's getting rich while people are still dying. Geez...first I was feeling like a second class citizen because I was too gay, now I'm too young?...fooey!

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