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Pawlenty: I'd sign Ryan plan

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Tim Pawlenty has been dodging direct questions about House Budget Chairman Paul Ryan's proposal to give seniors vouchers to help them purchase private health insurance.

Speaking at the Cato Institute on Wednesday, Pawlenty said he would put forward his own plan. He provided no details for what it would include.

Democrats have been hounding him for an answer on whether he supports Ryan's plan.

On day four of his presidential rollout, the former Minnesota governor finally gave one.

"As president, I'll have my own plan [but] if I can't have that, and the bill came to my desk and I had to choose between signing or not Congressman Ryan's plan, of course I would sign it," he told reporters in New Hampshire.

Pawlenty applauded Ryan for his "courage and his leadership in putting his plan forward."

"At least he has a plan," he said. "President Obama doesn't have a plan. The Democrats don't have a plan."

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