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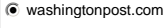



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- 2 The Congressional Research Service has a report on **setting and valuing health benefits**. Believe me when I say this will be important.
- 3 This Wired **article** on the placebo effect -- and the fact that it's getting stronger -- is long enough to be a think tank report. It's also awesome.
- 4 Judy Feder and David Cutler have some smart and radical ideas for **financing health-care reform**.
- 5 Timothy Geithner's principles for making banks that are too big to fail **safe enough to exist**.

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@jane\_black I cook literally because my parents were such terrible cooks. My dad eats fried eggs and flax for dinner. [about 2 hours ago](#)

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**Recipe of the day:** The best way to do [toasted pumpkin seeds](#).

I just met a pale girl dressed in anachronistic clothing who looks a lot like the child kidnapped on this very block, on this very day, a hundred years ago. She asked me to wish you a Happy Halloween!

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