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As governor of Alaska, Sarah Palin qualified for government-financed health care that covered her family and herself, and most likely included prenatal care for herself and her daughter Bristol. Now, as a Fox News contributor, she might well receive some form of care that would have covered Trig's recent operation as well as any other health care needs.

I would like someone to ask her why she is so opposed to the new federal health care law, when so many mama grizzlies have been fighting for decent, affordable health care coverage for their own children, both young and old, for so many years, and how her policies would affect people with disabilities. Does Palin think that it is wrong for federal law to prevent insurance companies from denying health care to people, like her son Trig, who are born with Down syndrome?

Would Palin remove the federal-government mandates that have improved life expectancy and education for disabled people?

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