

## SENATOR BYRON DORGAN

**State:** North Dakota

**Election in 1994:** No

**Priority Health Issues:**

- Insufficient Cost Containment -  
(Not Enough to Arrest Spending as Percent of GDP)
- Impact of Employer Mandates on Small Business
- Improving Rural Health Care
- Concern over Overly Bureaucratic Nature of Alliances
- Improving Health Care Services Native Americans

**Priority Non-Health Issues:**

- Fiscal (Slowing Growth of Entitlement Expenditure)

**Recent Comments:**

**Strategy:** Outside

**Principal Contact:**

**Cabinet/White House Contact:** [Cabinet Affairs Recommends O'Leary]

**Influential State/Local Officials:**

- Heidi Heitkamp, Attorney General
- Glen Pomeroy, Department of Insurance

**Influential Groups and Organizations:**

- Farmers Union
- Teachers (NEA Affiliate)

**Media/Grassroots Efforts Advisable:** Yes

**Message:** Fiscal Irresponsibility of Incremental Reform  
Middle Class and Small Business

**Notes on Strategy:** Needs to be touched by Administration. Link to media campaign for Conrad and Pomeroy. Get local supporters who are small business people and rural health advocates to stress support for Mitchell plan.