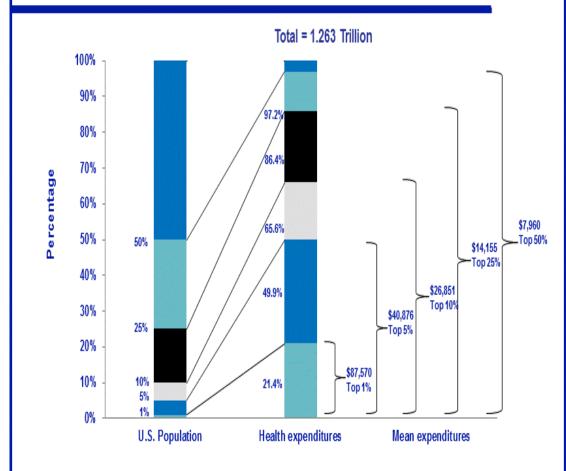
Financing in all Health Care Systems

- 1. When needed, health services have become breathtakingly expensive in America
 - -- obstetric episode in Boston 12,000-18,000
 - -- routine medical office visit 150-200 plus tests (x3 pppy)
 - -- screening mammogram 150-350
 - -- screening colonoscopy 1000 5,000
 - -- ER episode -- 1000 2000
 - -- Inpatient episode -- 12000-25,000 (for a 4 day stay)
 - -- Rx spending now averages 1165 per person per year
 - -- Chemo episode in office 20-40,000 OPD 40% more
 - -- Dozens of CA drugs cost > 100,000 a year
- 2. Most spending falls on a fraction of the population



Figure 1. Distribution of health expenditures for the U.S. population by magnitude of expenditure and mean expenditures, 2010



Source: Centerfor Financing, Access, and CostTrends, AHRQ, Household Component of the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey, 2010