

SELF-GOVERNANCE COMPARED TO THE AMERICAN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

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DEFINITION OF SELF-GOVERNANCE



The players in the healthcare system organise themselves



The German healthcare system is co-designed, managed and guaranteed by the providers, the insured and the employers

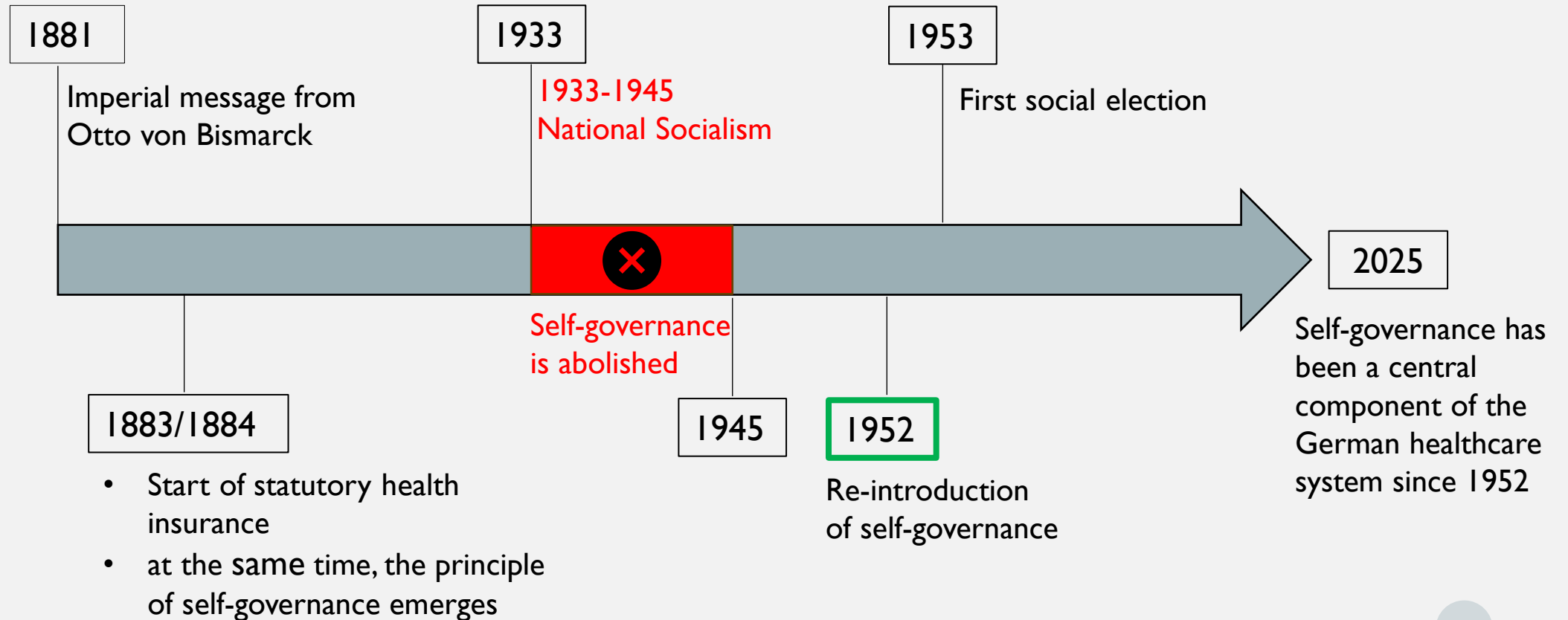


The state only provides the legal framework



A basic distinction is made between joint and social self-governance

HISTORY OF SELF-GOVERNANCE



AMERICAN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

USA - Private healthcare system	
System	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• the state interferes little• market economy orientated• no compulsory insurance
Financing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• state subsidies (healthcare programmes)• employer co-payments• private payments (self-payers)
Organisation	State care only for certain groups of people ➤ Medicare & Medicaid
special features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• many uninsured• if you lose your job, your health insurance will also be cancelled• first-class care, but expensive system

SELF-GOVERNANCE VS. AMERICAN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Strengths of self-governance:

- General insurance obligation
 - grants all people access to health services
 - fair distribution of resources
 - State is relieved
 - Contributions are levied according to economic performance (solidarity principle)
 - Financing through social security systems

American healthcare system:

Only people who are financially well off can have access to first-class care

SELF-GOVERNANCE VS. AMERICAN HEALTHCARE SYSTEM

Weaknesses of self-governance:

- Interaction between the different players
 - lengthy decision-making processes
 - discrepancies

American healthcare system:

In a private system, service providers are independent. As the American healthcare system is market-orientated, it has an enormous advantage in terms of development and innovation.

CONCLUSION

- Self-governance has a major influence on the German healthcare system
- Self-governance can only be guaranteed through the interaction of the various players and their different but interrelated tasks
- compared to the American healthcare system, the German healthcare system is characterised by comprehensive care
- in comparison to the USA, decisions cannot be made quickly by several parties involved, which leads to longer processes and waiting times and offers potential for improvement in the area of development/innovation, for example.
- more efficient thinking would be desirable in the area of financing through the co-operation of the various players

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