

Funding the Future

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Jeremy Hunt pleaded for his job as Health Secretary yesterday, and kept it.

Why did he plead? For those on trolleys in A&E? I don't think so.

No: I am sure he pleaded for Branson to get more contracts.

And I'll guarantee that he pleaded for the new Accountable Care Organisations (ACOs) that are anything but that and are instead the Trojan horse for widespread private control of our health service.

My belief is that he pleaded for the vision of Redwood and Letwin [that I explained here](#).

And he won his case. He kept his job despite all his failings.

And that's because the case for privatisation won.

Yesterday was a bad one for the NHS.