

Exercise 9

Read the paragraphs about the disadvantages of government-provided healthcare. Complete the paragraphs with the supporting statements in the box.

it gives people the freedom	there is not any freedom of choice
there is often overuse of health facilities for minor reasons	using the pharmacy
waiting lists for treatment are often long	

On the other hand, _____
regarding the type of healthcare. People are forced to go to the state provider,
and as a result, _____
because there is such high demand.

In addition, _____, as
many people go to their doctor because it is free at the point of use, rather
than _____ and treating
themselves at home. Privately provided healthcare may be expensive but,
nevertheless, _____ to
choose who provides their care and how quickly they are treated.