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HEALTH CARE POLICY, RESEARCH AND NEWS

Health Care Leadership and Management

In recent years, there has been a lot of enthusiasm about approaches like financial incentives and behavioral “nudges” to help clinicians offer more evidence-based care. But clinical decision-making is far too complex to be consistently improved by applying these frameworks. [Getting Doctors to Make Better Decisions Will Take More than Money and Nudges](#)

It is widely acknowledged that the health problems our nation faces cannot be solved with the traditional — and often siloed — ways of approaching care and prevention. To solve these problems, we must build strong cross-sector partnerships and coordinate our efforts and resources. [A Vision for Upending the Siloed Status Quo](#)

While it is true that both providers and payers often consolidate to strengthen their respective negotiating positions, this is only part of the story. In the transition from volume to value, many are now joining forces to establish integrated delivery and finance systems (IDFSs). [Effective Consolidation: A Model for Reform Through Payer-Provider Integration](#)

Despite independent studies showing that clinical quality in the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) health system is often as good as or better than that in the private sector,

numerous areas for improvement remain. [David Shulkin - Why the VA Needs More Competition](#)

In honor of summer's arrival, Advisory Board's experts offer 10 recommendations on what you should read now to become a better leader, think more clearly, and explore contemporary issues within and beyond health care. [10 must-read books for the summer, according to Advisory Board experts](#)

Health Care Economics and Policy

Small employers will more easily be able to band together to buy health insurance under rules issued Tuesday by the Trump administration, but the change could raise premiums for plans sold through the Affordable Care Act's online marketplaces, analysts say.

[Administration Eases Way For Small Businesses To Buy Insurance In Bulk](#)

Researchers at Wake Forest School of Medicine studied thirty-three health conversion foundations, all of which are somehow addressing social determinants of health (SDOH). The authors have recommendations for foundations interested in pursuing an SDOH funding strategy. [What Do Foundations Have In Mind With The Phrase "Social Determinants of Health"?](#)

United Hospital Fund, The NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and their partners in the Population Health Improvement Program (PHIP) have issued a report intended to help small, independent primary care practices in New York City understand and develop shared-service arrangements. [NYC PHIP Small Practice Project - Final Report](#)

Featured Research and *Elsewhere in the News*

The medical research grant system in the United States, run through the National Institutes of Health, is intended to fund work that spurs innovation and fosters research careers. In many ways, it may be failing. [Why the Medical Research Grant System Could Be Costing Us Great Ideas](#)

This transition to electronic health records (EHRs) has engendered frustration among clinicians who expected computers to make their care more efficient, and among their patients who expected timely access to their information and seamlessly coordinated care. To address these challenges, Congress passed the 21st Century Cures Act of 2016 (Cures Act). In part, the law requires the HHS and the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) to improve the interoperability of health information. [National Coordinator for Health IT Donald Rucker, MD - Achieving The Interoperability Promise Of 21st Century Cures](#)

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