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Jonathan Bush: EHRs should give physicians what they need, not burn them out — so he's deconstructing it



Becker's Hospital Review

Athenahealth co-founder and CEO Jonathan Bush thinks the healthcare technology industry should do more to improve physician satisfaction and fight tech-induced burnout, both of which entail reimagining his company's products. Bush doesn't like the current electronic health record functionality. For him, the ideal EHR would be comprised of several, self-contained, high-speed microservices that would take the highest traffic parts of a medical record and run them as a concentrated focus factory. [READ MORE](#)



Doctors and other health care professionals

DC Medical News via FierceHealthcare

Doctors' notes, EHRs and burnout: A report in Annals of Internal Medicine finds that U.S. physicians write four times as much as physicians in other countries for clinical notes, but not necessarily for the patient's benefit. Rather, "Documentation in other countries tends to be far briefer," containing only essential clinical information. The American add-ons are for compliance and reimbursement documentation, record bloat. Say the authors, "The highly trained American physician has become a data-entry clerk" required to document "increasingly low-value administrative data." [READ MORE](#)

Track 1 ACOs likely to bail out rather than assume risk



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Requiring risk-based contracts will force accountable care organizations to decide whether the potential upside is worth the possibility of losing significant revenue if they miss quality targets, and the answer for many will be no, according to a recent survey. Upside risk was acceptable, but taking on the downside risk is a deal breaker for almost two-thirds of the Medicare Shared Savings Program Track 1 ACOs surveyed by the National Association of ACOs. [READ MORE](#)

How to tell the difference between scientific research misconduct versus fraud



Health Care Law Today

For years, misconduct in scientific research was policed primarily by the Office of Research Integrity at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. After a lengthy and confidential review, an institution suspected of producing false or fraudulent research was either cleared of the charges or required to issue retractions and pay back any federal grants that had been tainted by misconduct. [READ MORE](#)

PCMA head to step aside as pressure mounts on PBMs



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Mark Merritt, president and chief executive officer of the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, will step aside at the end of the year, after 15 years on the job, the trade group recently announced. The news of Merritt's departure comes as pharmacy benefit managers, which PCMA represents, feel increasing pressure from the government and private industry alike. [READ MORE](#)

What will radiology look like in the age of AI?



The Doctor Weighs In

Diagnosing a patient by using algorithms is becoming the latest technological breakthrough in healthcare. Radiologists, among other health professionals, however, are unsure of the future of their careers when they imagine competing with new technology that can read images like CT scans and mammography exams and give instantaneous results. Not only that, but these technological advancements are cheaper, more efficient and can work non-stop hours. [READ MORE](#)

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