Teaching physicians to get a break on a burdensome task

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Thanks to a push by the American College of Physicians and other groups, teaching physicians are going to get a break from one of their most tedious tasks: serving as a kind of stenographer. The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services has decided that teaching physicians will no longer need to retype large chunks of the documentation on patient visits that's been added to health records by non-resident medical students. Instead, physicians will be able to refer to student notes as part of their own documentation. READ MORE

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Dr. Patrick Pulliam, a Stockbridge pediatrician, moved to a new, bigger medical office last year. The new site is in the same town as the old one, and in fact the two locations are only a half-mile apart. But the switch is costing Pulliam money. He’s getting paid substantially less to treat Medicaid patients in the new office. “It’s bizarre,” says Pulliam, who has been practicing 20 years. “I’m frustrated and concerned.”

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For years, a growing body of research has documented how physicians’ willingness to explain and apologize for adverse medical outcomes can substantially reduce lawsuits and litigation expenses.

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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has approved a new stand-alone continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) system, Medtronic’s Guardian Connect, that alerts users to impending high and low blood glucose levels up to an hour in advance. The device is approved for people with diabetes aged 14 to 75 years and targeted at those using multiple daily insulin injections.

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