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Physician Wellness Workshop

Extinguishing the Flames: Physician Wellness Workshop
Friday, Sept. 29
Attend the wellness workshop to discover several tools to address organizational and/or personal factors to help mitigate burnout. Attendees will walk away with practical examples that can be included into your practice from day one. Click here for more info.

1 p.m., Friday, Sept. 29, – 2017 Chapter Meeting Savannah GA

Covered in the workshop:
• Brief review of the literature
• Ways to measure burnout
• Accomplishing organizational change
• Resiliency techniques
• Work–life integration
Study: Seniors who want to be left alone at home double their risk of being readmitted

Kaiser Health News

The 84-year-old man who had suffered a mini-stroke was insistent as he spoke to a social worker about being discharged from the hospital: He didn't want anyone coming into his home, and he didn't think he needed any help. So the social worker canceled an order for home health care services. And the patient went back to his apartment without plans for follow-up care in place. When his daughter, Lisa Winstel, found out what had happened she was furious. She'd spent a lot of time trying to convince her father that a few weeks of help at home was a good idea. And she'd asked the social worker to be in touch if there were any problems. Similar scenarios occur surprisingly often. READ MORE

Mobile devices in healthcare may one day appear 'invisible'

TechTarget

For some CIOs, mobile devices in hospitals don't reach their full potential. Imagine a day when mobility becomes so intertwined with healthcare that it disappears into the background. READ MORE

House bill would lighten meaningful use burden on hospitals

Medscape

A bipartisan bill that would apparently open the door for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to ease the burden on hospitals of meaningful use reporting was introduced in the U.S. House of Representatives on June 30. Described as an effort to "amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to reduce the volume of future electronic health-related significant hardship requests," the bill would affect only healthcare providers who are still subject to the government's electronic health record incentive program, known as "meaningful use," said Robert Tennant, senior policy advisor to the Medical Group Management Association. READ MORE
Many physicians believe that maintaining electronic health records undermines their connection with patients, new research finds. The analysis also shows, however, that hospital-based physicians most often decried how EHRs take time away from patient contact, while office-based physicians most often lamented that EHRs detract from the quality of their patient interactions. READ MORE