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Government needs to provide infrastructure

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Regarding "Senate bill could drive some providers out of Medicare: CMS":

It's unfortunate that our representatives are totally missing the boat on what the "real" problems are in our current health system.

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We need infrastructure from our government to really make a huge difference. Our government has provided highway systems, postal service, libraries and education systems that are the core infrastructure of our existence. We don't have that in healthcare. We have everyone protecting his or her own interest.

Complete the implementing and actually enforce the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. Create the infrastructure to route clinical information from provider to provider as well as other administrative transactions. We don't need clearinghouses getting in the clinical business. Health systems, hospitals, and physician practices need to step up and run themselves more efficiently.

It's great that everyone is going to have some type of insurance coverage, but a lot of the practices and health systems my organization works with are challenged at actually recording the correct information when that patient

presents. These are industry-wide challenges. There is no one group to blame for where we are at. All factions must look at themselves and get better while keeping the patients' best interests and experience the sole focus.

That may mean some businesses go away and others are created, but it's change that we need to embrace.

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