


***Reforming Health Care:
With Help from Washington,
and Without It***


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The Year of the Deficit


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Some Bad Ideas

- Medicaid**
- Medicare**




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D.C. Learnings: Bad Policy Ideas



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Of Special Concern

- Medicare bad debt payments
- Hospital outpatient E&M payments
- Extending the cap on therapy services
- Weakening prohibition on new physician-owned specialty hospitals
- Retrospective coding adjustments



Our Message

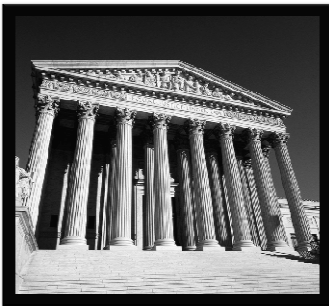
Enough is Enough

Hospitals already absorbing \$155 billion in reductions...on top of:

- Federal regulatory actions (Medicare IPPS coding offset)
- State cuts



Supreme Court



Care Systems of the Future

Key Strategies:

- **Aligning hospitals, physicians, other providers**
- **Improving quality and safety**
- **Developing integrated information systems**
- **Improving efficiency and productivity, expenses**




Care Systems of the Future

Core competencies:

- **Designing and implementing patient-centered, integrated models of care**
- **Demonstrating visionary and accountable governance and leadership**
- **Strategic planning in a turbulent environment**




Promotion of Proven Practices



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Moving Forward

Building a Culturally Competent Organization: The Quest for Equity in Health Care

This guide explores how hospitals and health systems can increase their cultural competency in order to improve quality and provide care that is respectful of patient diverse values, beliefs and behaviors. Read more...



Highlights

- ▶ Promoting an Environment of Diverse Care
- ▶ AHA Quality Advisory Conference calls on vaccination policies
- ▶ Key Strategies for High-Performing Hospitals
- ▶ Learning to Lead

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Increase :

- **Collection and use of race, ethnicity and language preference data**
- **Cultural competency training**
- **Diversity in governance and management**

You Can Make a Difference

- **Grassroots participation**
- **Telling the Hospital Story**
- **Coalition to Protect America's Hospitals**

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Thank You!