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Will Older Physicians Be Ousted?

Some hospitals are assessing older physicians for competence. If they refuse they can't see hospital patients. One older doctor, who helped develop a cure for Hodgkin's lymphoma, says assessments shouldn't be age-based. But the doctor overseeing one of the screening programs says older doctors may have hidden cognitive dysfunction.

Perhaps there's another reason. An American Medical Association executive claims older doctors have "lower adherence to evidence-based standards of care for diagnosis, prevention and treatment."

In short, older doctors won't let the computers tell them what to do and they don't like reporting data to outsiders. They were taught to be independent. Newer doctors are trained to click boxes and follow pre-set treatments on computer screens.

["When Are Doctors Too Old?"](#) Lucette Lagnado, The Wall Street Journal, June 26, 2017.

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