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Medicare for All – Physician Choices

This is day 11 of Medicare for All. The bill would severely constrain physicians. If they don’t want a cash practice, they must sign a participation agreement with the government, and comply fully with all requirements, including sharing patient information for monitoring and “other purposes,” as defined by federal officials. Thus, both patients and doctors will be monitored.

But if federal officials become unhappy with a doctor, the participation agreement can be revoked—and no facility is allowed to hire this doctor, potentially ending his practice. If this doctor then wants to set up a cash practice, he cannot receive cash payments from patients unless an affidavit is filed with the federal government.

“In the case of a provider that is not an individual, the provider agrees not to employ or use for the provision of health services any individual or other provider that has had a participation agreement under this subsection terminated for cause.” Medicare for All Act, Section 301(b)(1)(D)

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