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Health IT is Not Safe

Beware computerized medical records. Given the fact that 6 people have died due to electronic medical records and more than 40 people have been injured due to electronic medical records and the FDA says this is just the tip of the iceberg, no one should think computerized medical records improves their safety or care.

Now the National Office of Health Information Technology has published a 43-page presentation urging health care staff to identify unsafe conditions resulting from computerized systems. They say health information technology can be beneficial if the technology is optimally designed, thoughtfully implemented and appropriately used. You might feel safer with pen and paper.

“How To Identify and Address Unsafe Conditions Associated with Health IT,” Cynthia Wallace et al, ECRI Institute PSO, The Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, n.d.

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