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Reduce Physician Burnout Repeal the EHR Mandate

Fifty-four percent of physicians are affected by burnout. The leading cause if the mandate by Congress that doctors use electronic medical records—EHRs. A study found that doctors spend two hours at the computer for every hour they spend caring for patients. A 2015 Mayo Clinic study found more than 7 percent of nearly 7,000 doctors had considered suicide in the past 12 months. About 400 physicians kill themselves every year.

For every physician who quits or commits suicide, it takes more than $1 million to recruit and train another doctor. Burnout is not just bad for doctors and their families, it’s bad for patients. Tell Congress to repeal the EHR mandate.


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