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High Cost of E-Health Records to Patients

Your doctor, dentist, and hospital have electronic health records – or EHRs – because the Obama administration mandated them so it could use your patient data to control how your doctor practices. If doctors choose not to use EHRs, they lose Medicare dollars.

But the government estimates that setting up an EHR costs $15,000 to $70,000 per provider, plus annual maintenance and licensing fees. That’s not all. EHR vendors are charging clinics and hospitals $5,000 to $50,000 just to exchange patient data between EHR systems. So not only is the EHR a threat to privacy and autonomy, it’s a threat to your pocketbook and the clinic’s bottomline.

“Sticker shock: Doctors say transfer fees are blocking health reform,” Arthur Allen, Politico Pro, February 19, 2015, https://www.politicopro.com/go/?id=43918

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