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Doctors Just Want to Go to Work

A woman who finds office space for clinics recently talked about doctors being acquired by big systems. She said, “You have these solid, independent specialty groups saying, ‘We’re done.’” She said, “The doctors just want to go to work, they don’t want to deal with the administrative part…” She’s right, but the end result is not good.

UnitedHealth Group, the nation’s largest insurer, is buying up medical practices. New contracts allow the insurer to reward or penalize doctors according to how well they comply with the plan’s treatment directives. Doctors who are health plan employees threaten patient care. Next time you see your doctor, ask him “who are you working for?” Then find an independent doctor to keep in business.

“Clinic mergers shaking up the medical office market,” Don Jacobson, Star Tribune, February 17, 2012.


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