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Are Robot Nurses in Your Future?

A New York City hospital has fired 12 nurses in charge of utilization review and plans to replace them with AI software. Health plans used their data to determine whether the care being received was necessary or not. A city council member worries AI will lead to dropped cases, missed diagnoses, unapproved surgeries, and the denial of other services.

One nurse said AI uses data to make conclusions with no consideration of the patient's physical or clinical needs. In short, AI doesn't care if there's no one at home to care for the patient. It simply says, "Time to go." She wonders if nurses will be replaced by robots and how patients may suffer. She wants AI to support nurses, not replace them.

"12 Nurses Say They are Being Replaced by AI," Shannon Firth, MedPage Today, July 2, 2026:

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