

Additional Readings to Supplement Hank Scheff's presentation to the
Employee Benefit Research Institute's 67th Policy Forum on December 9, 2010:

Innovations in Employment-Based Health Benefits
PANEL I – Employer Innovations in Health Care Financing and Delivery
AFSCME Council 31's Health Improvement Plan (HIP)

HIP's primary goal is to teach, and hold participants responsible for, trying to do all they should and can do to help providers address the many of the root causes of appropriately avoidable costs, healthcare quality and medical errors. While HIP targets health improvement, prevention and early detection, it is not a conventional, HIPAA sanctioned "bona fide wellness plan". Unlike other plan based and health improvement initiatives adopted by most plan sponsors, HIP places great emphasis on participants' engagement in problem diagnosis and healthcare decision making and coordination.

Misdiagnosis is the main driver of medical malpractice claims.

- <http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2009/03/090310161432.htm>
- <http://prescriptions.blogs.nytimes.com/2010/09/07/another-kind-of-medical-error/>

The role of patients-diagnosis

- <http://healthaffairs.org/blog/2010/09/16/respecting-and-reflecting-on-diagnostic-errors/>
- <http://www.physicianspractice.com/compliance/content/article/1462168/1645579>

Doctor/Patient communications

- <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1113402/>
- http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-11874158?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Overuse of healthcare

- http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/95xx/doc9567/07-17-HealthCare_Testimony.pdf
- http://www.managedcaremag.com/archives/0501/0501.pcp_abramson.html
- <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/09/03/AR2009090303833.html>

Misuse of healthcare

- http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/content/06_22/b3986001.htm

Patient engagement in their healthcare

- <http://cfah.org/activities/snapshot.cfm>
- <http://participatorymedicine.org/> especially the white paper referenced on the home page
- <http://content.healthaffairs.org/cgi/content/full/28/4/w555> Berwick

Comparative Effectiveness

- http://www.ahrq.gov/news/pubcat/c_effc.htm
- http://www.npcnow.org/Public/Newsroom/CER_Daily_Newsfeed/Public/Newsroom/CER_Newsfeed/CE_R_Newsfeed.aspx?hkey=33851aae-4ea3-4f07-b98b-2ec67b91129e
- http://www.air.org/news/index.cfm?fa=viewContent&content_id=851

Council 31-Modern Healthcare

- <http://www.modernhealthcare.com/article/20100510/INFO/100509942>