

## Electronic Journal and Report Scan

### E-Letter Worth Noting

The E-Watch on Innovation in Health Services, a weekly electronic newsletter compiled and distributed under the auspices of Prof. Rejean Landry, University of Laval and CHSFR/CIHR Chair on Dissemination and Uptake of Research in Health Services, provides an excellent synopsis of reports, papers, website and announcements relevant to health service providers. To subscribe go to: <http://kuuc.chair.ulaval.ca/english/master.php?url=bulletin.php>.

### Recent reports carried in the report include:

#### **Harnessing Incentives and Unleashing Market Forces in Health Care: The Mechanics of Rationing**

Paper by Andre Gabber for the Ontario Hospital Association discusses the competitive market model, the unique market for healthcare, incentives (Demand Side Incentives, Supply Side Incentives, Hospital Funding) and competition: the case of Britain's internal market model.

[http://www.oha.com/oha/reports.nsf/\(\\$Att\)/pspr5d8hyb/\\$FILE/HarnessingIncentivesandUnleashingMarketForcesinHealthCare.pdf?OpenElement](http://www.oha.com/oha/reports.nsf/($Att)/pspr5d8hyb/$FILE/HarnessingIncentivesandUnleashingMarketForcesinHealthCare.pdf?OpenElement)

#### **Managing for Excellence in the NHS**

This document builds on the major contribution that managers and leaders in healthcare are making to the reform of the NHS in United Kingdom. It sets out the new management task for the next three years and addresses how, together, leaders are going to create a coherent core of values and systems and build a management and leadership community in the NHS of international standing.

<http://www.doh.gov.uk/managingforexcellence/managingforexcellence.pdf>

#### **Depoliticizing Healthcare: Achievable or Even Desirable?**

On May 30-31, 2002, the Canadian Health Services Research Foundation (CHSRF) held its third annual invited exchange on key issues affecting Canada's public healthcare system. Over a day and a half, discussions included: the perceived problems causing the rise in interest in depoliticizing healthcare; the impact of viewing Canadians as consumers, citizens or communities on how to approach depoliticizing healthcare; the role that predictable and multi-year funding can play in reducing interjurisdictional and stakeholder politics; and the kinds of institutions and processes that might help reduce the less productive aspects of the political process in healthcare.

[http://www.chsrf.ca/docs/resource/2002\\_invex\\_e.pdf](http://www.chsrf.ca/docs/resource/2002_invex_e.pdf)

#### **The Future of Canadian Health Care**

This report by the Caledon Institute of Social Policy describes four scenarios for future global economic and political structures and looks at the future of health and healthcare in Canada within each of these scenarios. The report is meant to speculate not so much on what will be, as what could be, in an effort to stimulate consideration of our health system's relationship to global futures.

<http://www.caledoninst.org/PDF/55382024X.pdf>

### On-Line Journal Papers

#### **Milbank Quarterly**

<http://www.milbank.org/quarterly/featart.html>

#### **Life Course Health Development: An Integrated Framework for Developing Health, Policy, and Research**

Neal Halfon and Miles Hochstein

#### **A Loss of Faith: The Sources of Reduced Political Legitimacy for the American Medical Profession**

Mark Schlesinger

#### **Performance-Based Contracting in Wisconsin Public Health: Transforming State-Local Relations**

John Chapin and Bruce Fetter

#### **Effects of Alcohol Consumption on Disability among the Near Elderly: A Longitudinal Analysis**

Jan Ostermann and Frank A. Sloan

#### **Public Roles for the Medical Profession in the United States: Beyond Theories of Decline and Fall**

Rosemary A. Stevens

#### **Theory and Practice in the Design of Physician Payment Incentives**

James C. Robinson

#### **Improving the Quality of Workers' Compensation Health Care Delivery: The Washington State Occupational Health Services Project**

Thomas M. Wickizer, Gary Franklin, Roy Plaeger-Brockway, and Robert D. Mootz

#### **Purchasing Cooperatives for Small Employers: Performance and Prospects**

Elliot K. Wicks and Mark A. Hall

#### **Potential and Active Family Caregivers: Changing Networks and the "Sandwich Generation"**

Brenda C. Spillman and Liliana E. Pezzin

#### **Community Accountability among Hospitals Affiliated with Health Care Systems**

Jeffrey A. Alexander, Bryan J. Weiner, and Melissa Succi

#### **Employer-Sponsored Health Insurance: Are Employers Good Agents for Their Employees?**

Pamela B. Peele, Judith R. Lave, Jeanne T. Black, and John H. Evans III.

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<http://www.healthaffairs.org>

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Kevin Grumbach, With Perspective By Uwe E. Reinhardt

**Informatics & the Future Health Workforce**

Daniel R. Masys

**Who Cares For Older Adults?**

Christine Tassone Kovner, Mathy Mezey & Charlene Harrington

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Jordan J. Cohen, Barbara A. Gabriel & Charles Terrell

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