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Before You Get Sick John Wiley & Sons
Racial and ethnic disparities in health care are known to reflect access to care and other issues that arise from differing socioeconomic conditions. There is, however, increasing evidence that even after such differences are accounted for, race and ethnicity remain significant predictors of the quality of health care received. In Unequal Treatment, a panel of experts documents this evidence and explores how persons of color experience the health care environment. The book examines how disparities in treatment may arise in health care systems and looks at aspects of the clinical encounter that may contribute to such disparities. Patients' and providers' attitudes, expectations, and behavior are analyzed. How to intervene? Unequal Treatment offers recommendations for improvements in medical care financing, allocation of care, availability of language translation, community-based care, and other arenas. The committee highlights the potential of cross-cultural education to improve provider-patient communication and offers a detailed look at how to integrate cross-cultural learning within the health professions. The book concludes with recommendations for data collection and research initiatives. Unequal Treatment will be vitally important to health care policymakers, administrators, providers, educators, and students as well as advocates for people of color.
Access to Health Care in America National Academies Press

"[This book is] the most authoritative assessment of the advantages and disadvantages of recent trends toward the commercialization of health care," says Robert Pear of The New York Times. This major study by the Institute of Medicine examines virtually all aspects of for-profit health care in the United States, including the quality and availability of health care, the cost of medical care, access to financial capital, implications for education and research, and the fiduciary role of the physician. In addition to the report, the book contains 15 papers by experts in the field of for-profit health care covering a broad range of topicsâ€"from trends in the growth of major investor-owned hospital companies to the ethical issues in for-profit health care. "The report makes a lasting contribution to the health policy literature." â€"Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law.
Health Literacy Touri Language Learning
Argues for more transparent, democratic and safer healthcare practices to keep patients better informed and hold poor-performing doctors and flawed systems accountable.
Care Without Coverage National Academies Press
A New York Times Bestseller, with an updated explanation of the 2010 Health Reform Bill "Important and powerful . . . a rich tour of health care around the world." —Nicholas Kristof, The New York Times Bringing to bear his talent for explaining complex issues in a clear, engaging way, New York Times bestselling author T. R. Reid visits industrialized democracies around the world--France, Britain, Germany, Japan, and beyond--to provide a revelatory tour of successful, affordable universal health care systems. Now updated with new statistics and a plain-English explanation of the 2010 health care reform bill, The Healing of America is required reading for all those hoping to understand the state of health care in our country, and

around the world. T. R. Reid's latest book, *A Fine Mess: A Global Quest for a Simpler, Fairer, and More Efficient Tax System*, is also available from Penguin Press.

[Retooling for an Aging America](#) Bloomsbury Publishing USA

This book is a reference guide for healthcare executives and technology providers involved in the ongoing digital transformation of the healthcare sector. The book focuses specifically on the challenges and opportunities for health systems in their journey toward a digital future. It draws from proprietary research and public information, along with interviews with over one hundred and fifty executives in leading health systems such as Cleveland Clinic, Partners, Mayo, Kaiser, and Intermountain as well as numerous technology and retail providers. The authors explore the important role of technology and that of EHR systems, digital health innovators, and big tech firms in the ongoing digital transformation of healthcare. Importantly, the book draws on the accelerated learnings of the healthcare sector during the COVID-19 pandemic in their digital transformation efforts to adopt telehealth and virtual care models. Features of this book: Provides an understanding of the current state of digital transformation and the factors influencing the ongoing transformation of the healthcare sector. Includes interviews with executives from leading health systems. Describes the important role of emerging technologies; EHR systems, digital health innovators, and more. Includes case studies from innovative health organizations. Provides a set of templates and frameworks for developing and implementing a digital roadmap. Based on best practices from real-life examples, the book is a guidebook that provides a set of templates and frameworks for digital transformation practitioners in healthcare.

[Market-driven Health Care](#) Penguin

Healthcare expert Lori-Ann Rickard reveals the easy and practical answers that only an insider knows. Spin Your Healthcare Your Way and know what to do Before You Get Sick with her guide. Easy Healthcare: Before You Get Sick gives you the secrets no outsider would guess such as: • Your primary care doctor is your best first choice (and why) • The best and cheapest way to get better fast • Why you should avoid “urgent care” • When not to call an ambulance (and when you should) • The difference between “observation” and “admitted” at the hospital (and what it can mean for your wallet) • When to go to the ER and when not to (and why) This guide shows you how to get the best cost-effective care Before You Get Sick. Lori-Ann Rickard gives you The Bottom Line. With over 30 years of experience in the healthcare industry, HealthSpin founder Lori-Ann Rickard puts you in charge so you can Spin Your Healthcare Your Way!

[Visualizing Health and Healthcare Data](#) World Health Organization

The United States is among the wealthiest nations in the world, but it is far from the healthiest. Although life expectancy and survival rates in the United States have improved dramatically over the past century, Americans live shorter lives and experience more injuries and illnesses than people in other high-income countries. The U.S. health disadvantage cannot be attributed solely to the adverse health status of racial or ethnic minorities or poor people: even highly advantaged Americans are in worse health than their counterparts in other, “peer” countries. In light of the new and growing evidence about the U.S. health disadvantage, the National Institutes of Health asked the National Research Council (NRC) and the Institute of Medicine (IOM) to convene a panel of experts to study the issue. The Panel on Understanding Cross-National Health Differences Among High-Income Countries examined whether the U.S. health disadvantage exists across the life span, considered potential explanations, and assessed the larger implications of the findings. U.S. Health in International Perspective presents detailed evidence on the issue, explores the possible explanations for the shorter and less healthy lives of Americans than those of people in comparable countries, and recommends actions by both government and nongovernment agencies and organizations to address the U.S. health disadvantage.

[Community Oriented Primary Care](#) National Academies Press

What happens when the demanding consumers who nearly brought the U.S. automobile industry to its knees focus the same kinds of pressure on the industry that represents one-seventh of the U.S. economy—health care? The health organizations that combine quality, convenience, information, choices, and lower costs will be the winners in this revolution. Regina Herzlinger, chaired professor at the Harvard Business School, distills the facts from the noise surrounding the one industry whose measures of success are life and death. In a thoroughly readable, anecdotal style, she pinpoints the drivers of change—the savvy consumer, the cost-conscious payer, and the rapidly improving technology—that will revolutionize the American health-care system. This is a must-read for those in every corner of the immense health-care web. With its strong narrative style, this is a book that will be read and talked about by everyone concerned about the future of American health care.

Basic Books

Drawing on the work of the Roundtable on Evidence-Based Medicine, the 2007 IOM Annual Meeting assessed some of the rapidly occurring changes in health care related to new diagnostic and treatment tools, emerging genetic insights, the developments in information technology, and healthcare costs, and discussed the need for a stronger focus on evidence to ensure that the promise of scientific discovery and technological innovation is efficiently captured to provide the right care for the right patient at the right time. As new discoveries continue to expand the universe of medical interventions, treatments, and methods of care, the need for a more systematic approach to evidence development and application becomes increasingly critical. Without better information about the effectiveness of different treatment options, the resulting uncertainty can lead to the delivery of services that may be unnecessary, unproven, or even harmful. Improving the evidence-base for medicine holds great potential to increase the quality and efficiency of medical care. The Annual Meeting, held on October 8, 2007, brought together many of the nation's leading authorities on various aspects of the issues - both challenges and opportunities - to present their perspectives and engage in discussion with the IOM membership.

[The Affordable Care Act](#) National Academies Press

This book seeks to identify the current ‘state of the art’ of health system comparison, identifying data and methodological issues and exploring the current interface between evidence and practice.

[The Future of Public Health](#) National Academies Press

The federal government operates six major health care programs that serve nearly 100 million Americans. Collectively, these programs significantly influence how health care is provided by the private sector. Leadership by Example explores how the federal government can leverage its unique position as regulator, purchaser, provider, and research sponsor to improve care - not only in these six programs but also throughout the nation's

health care system. The book describes the federal programs and the populations they serve: Medicare (elderly), Medicaid (low income), SCHIP (children), VHA (veterans), TRICARE (individuals in the military and their dependents), and IHS (native Americans). It then examines the steps each program takes to assure and improve safety and quality of care. The Institute of Medicine proposes a national quality enhancement strategy focused on performance measurement of clinical quality and patient perceptions of care. The discussion on which this book focuses includes recommendations for developing and pilot-testing performance measures, creating an information infrastructure for comparing performance and disseminating results, and more. Leadership by Example also includes a proposed research agenda to support quality enhancement. The third in the series of books from the Quality of Health Care in America project, this well-targeted volume will be important to all readers of *To Err Is Human* and *Crossing the Quality Chasm* - as well as new readers interested in the federal government's role in health care.

[Crossing the Quality Chasm](#) National Academies Press

Do you know what studies have shown to improve the outcome of patient care? To deliver quality care in the patient's language! The Spanish-speaking population growing rapidly and the number of people who need your help is only going to increase. Providing world-class medical care is challenging enough without the language barrier, not to mention all the stress involved in emergency situations. We understand you - There's no worse feeling than embarrassing yourself every time someone asks you to explain in Spanish different symptoms, diagnoses or tests and you have no clue how to say it. And in some cases this communication barrier could be the difference between life or death. ‘How do I get out of this situation?’, You may ask yourself, but have yet to find a straight-forward answer. Until now. Learn Medical Spanish in 100 Days is jam packed with medical terminology to get you communicating with patients fast! Inside you'll discover a series of common real world Spanish and English dialogues so you're prepared for nearly any situation. Additionally, each day consists of 10 new words and phrases to help you tear down the language barrier and provide top-notch care to your Spanish-speaking patients. Just imagine how effortless speaking Spanish will be for you after reading this book. Your confidence and ability to effectively communicate with native Spanish-speakers will dramatically improve. Why Learn Medical Spanish? Here Is A Preview Of What You'll Learn... -Expand your medical Spanish vocabulary -Be able to gather important information from patients and facilitate patient orientation -Convey health information to patients -Inform and instruct about procedures -Make a connection with patients and families -Prepare the patient for treatment or discharge -Expand your basic understanding of the language -Much, much more! Building a strong foundation of vocabulary is critical to your improvement and reaching fluency. We guarantee you that this book is packed with vocabulary and phrases that you can start using today. Whether you're an EMT, nurse, doctor, dentist or even a medical assistant - this book is for you! Download your copy today! Check Out What Others Are Saying... Excellent book for someone in the health care field. I am a nurse who has to give patients instructions in Spanish everyday. This book comes in very handy for me. I love it. -Michelle Very helpful. It's great to have the pronunciation spelled out. -Jerry Even now as a senior citizen it seems I've been studying Spanish most of my life. This book is particularly helpful for medical "situations" such as "Where does it hurt?", "What is the intensity of the pain?" etc. -Richard A godsend for helping me refresh my Spanish. -Ollie What are you waiting for? Scroll back up and click the buy button to get your copy right now!

[The Medicare Handbook](#) National Academies Press

Experts estimate that as many as 98,000 people die in any given year from medical errors that occur in hospitals. That's more than die from motor vehicle accidents, breast cancer, or AIDS—three causes that receive far more public attention. Indeed, more people die annually from medication errors than from workplace injuries. Add the financial cost to the human tragedy, and medical error easily rises to the top ranks of urgent, widespread public problems. *To Err Is Human* breaks the silence that has surrounded medical errors and their consequence—but not by pointing fingers at caring health care professionals who make honest mistakes. After all, to err is human. Instead, this book sets forth a national agenda—with state and local implications—for reducing medical errors and improving patient safety through the design of a safer health system. This volume reveals the often startling statistics of medical error and the disparity between the incidence of error and public perception of it, given many patients' expectations that the medical profession always performs perfectly. A careful examination is made of how the surrounding forces of legislation, regulation, and market activity influence the quality of care provided by health care organizations and then looks at their handling of medical mistakes. Using a detailed case study, the book reviews the current understanding of why these mistakes happen. A key theme is that legitimate liability concerns discourage reporting of errors—which begs the question, "How can we learn from our mistakes?" Balancing regulatory versus market-based initiatives and public versus private efforts, the Institute of Medicine presents wide-ranging recommendations for improving patient safety, in the areas of leadership, improved data collection and analysis, and development of effective systems at the level of direct patient care. *To Err Is Human* asserts that the problem is not bad people in health care—it is that good people are working in bad systems that need to be made safer. Comprehensive and straightforward, this book offers a clear prescription for raising the level of patient safety in American health care. It also explains how patients themselves can influence the quality of care that they receive once they check into the hospital. This book will be vitally important to federal, state, and local health policy makers and regulators, health professional licensing officials, hospital administrators, medical educators and students, health caregivers, health journalists, patient advocates—as well as patients themselves. First in a series of publications from the Quality of Health Care in America, a project initiated by the Institute of Medicine

[A Comparison between US and the United Kingdom's Healthcare Systems](#) National Academies Press

Many Americans believe that people who lack health insurance somehow get the care they really need. *Care Without Coverage* examines the real consequences for adults who lack health insurance. The study presents findings in the areas of prevention and screening, cancer, chronic illness, hospital-based care, and general health status. The committee looked at the consequences of being uninsured for people suffering from cancer, diabetes, HIV infection and AIDS, heart and kidney disease, mental illness, traumatic injuries, and heart attacks. It focused on the roughly 30 million-one in seven-working-age Americans without health insurance. This group does not include the population over 65 that is covered by Medicare or the nearly 10 million children who are uninsured in this country. The main findings of the report are that working-age Americans without health insurance are more likely to receive too little medical care and receive it too late; be sicker and die sooner; and receive poorer care when they are in the hospital, even for acute situations like a motor vehicle crash.

Unaccountable Cornell University Press

As the population of older Americans grows, it is becoming more racially and ethnically diverse. Differences in health by racial and ethnic status could be increasingly consequential for health policy and programs. Such differences are not simply a matter of education or ability to pay for health care. For instance, Asian Americans and Hispanics appear to be in better health, on a number of indicators, than White Americans, despite, on average, lower socioeconomic status. The reasons are complex, including possible roles for such factors as selective migration, risk behaviors, exposure to various stressors, patient attitudes, and geographic variation in health care. This volume, produced by a multidisciplinary panel, considers such possible explanations for racial and ethnic health differentials within an integrated framework. It provides a concise summary of available research and lays out a research agenda to address the many uncertainties in current knowledge. It recommends, for instance, looking at health differentials across the life course and deciphering the links between factors presumably producing differentials and biopsychosocial mechanisms that lead to impaired health.

Learn Medical Spanish in 100 Days National Academies Press

New York Times bestseller Business Book of the Year--Association of Business Journalists From the New York Times bestselling author comes an eye-opening, urgent look at America's broken health care system--and the people who are saving it--now with a new Afterword by the author. "A must-read for every American." --Steve Forbes, editor-in-chief, FORBES One in five Americans now has medical debt in collections and rising health care costs today threaten every small business in America. Dr. Makary, one of the nation's leading health care experts, travels across America and details why health care has become a bubble. Drawing from on-the-ground stories, his research, and his own experience, *The Price We Pay* paints a vivid picture of the business of medicine and its elusive money games in need of a serious shake-up. Dr. Makary shows how so much of health care spending goes to things that have nothing to do with health and what you can do about it. Dr. Makary challenges the medical establishment to remember medicine's noble heritage of caring for people when they are vulnerable. *The Price We Pay* offers a road map for everyday Americans and business leaders to get a better deal on their health care, and profiles the disruptors who are innovating medical care. The movement to restore medicine to its mission, Makary argues, is alive and well--a mission that can rebuild the public trust and save our country from the crushing cost of health care.

Understanding Racial and Ethnic Differences in Health in Late Life National Academies Press

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA) was designed to increase health insurance quality and affordability, lower the uninsured rate by expanding insurance coverage, and reduce the costs of healthcare overall. Along with sweeping change came sweeping criticisms and issues. This book explores the pros and cons of the Affordable Care Act, and explains who benefits from the ACA. Readers will learn how the economy is affected by the ACA, and the impact of the ACA rollout.

The Healing of America National Academies Press

A New York Times bestseller/Washington Post Notable Book of 2017/NPR Best Books of 2017/Wall Street Journal Best Books of 2017 "This book will serve as the definitive guide to the past and future of health care in America."—Siddhartha Mukherjee, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Emperor of All Maladies* and *The Gene* At a moment of drastic political upheaval, *An American Sickness* is a shocking investigation into our dysfunctional

healthcare system - and offers practical solutions to its myriad problems. In these troubled times, perhaps no institution has unraveled more quickly and more completely than American medicine. In only a few decades, the medical system has been overrun by organizations seeking to exploit for profit the trust that vulnerable and sick Americans place in their healthcare. Our politicians have proven themselves either unwilling or incapable of reining in the increasingly outrageous costs faced by patients, and market-based solutions only seem to funnel larger and larger sums of our money into the hands of corporations. Impossibly high insurance premiums and inexplicably large bills have become facts of life; fatalism has set in. Very quickly Americans have been made to accept paying more for less. How did things get so bad so fast? Breaking down this monolithic business into the individual industries—the hospitals, doctors, insurance companies, and drug manufacturers—that together constitute our healthcare system, Rosenthal exposes the recent evolution of American medicine as never before. How did healthcare, the caring endeavor, become healthcare, the highly profitable industry? Hospital systems, which are managed by business executives, behave like predatory lenders, hounding patients and seizing their homes. Research charities are in bed with big pharmaceutical companies, which surreptitiously profit from the donations made by working people. Patients receive bills in code, from entrepreneurial doctors they never even saw. The system is in tatters, but we can fight back. Dr. Elisabeth Rosenthal doesn't just explain the symptoms, she diagnoses and treats the disease itself. In clear and practical terms, she spells out exactly how to decode medical doublespeak, avoid the pitfalls of the pharmaceuticals racket, and get the care you and your family deserve. She takes you inside the doctor-patient relationship and to hospital C-suites, explaining step-by-step the workings of a system badly lacking transparency. This is about what we can do, as individual patients, both to navigate the maze that is American healthcare and also to demand far-reaching reform. *An American Sickness* is the frontline defense against a healthcare system that no longer has our well-being at heart.

Unequal Treatment National Academies Press

Instructor Resources: Transition Guide, Instructor's Manual, PowerPoint Slides, Case Studies, TestBank, Traditional Syllabus, and an 8-week online course Syllabus

U.S. Health in International Perspective Penguin

For healthcare professionals, it is important to understand the difference between a good idea and a business opportunity. Innovation is crucial to the future of health care - especially with trends such as personal medicine and retail and consumer-driven healthcare driving fundamental changes in the value chain. Unfortunately, many of today's budding innovations never make it to market. Instead, they're sidetracked by the pressures of patient care and practice management or sabotaged by legal, financial and marketing issues. Now, more of these good ideas can succeed thanks to powerhouse new book, written expressly for physicians and healthcare professionals, by Luis Pareras, MD, PhD, MBA. This book explains how to nurture that entrepreneurial spirit and apply proven business principles to fast-track new ideas into valuable real-world devices and other medical breakthroughs. Clearing the obstacles to innovation, this unique book is an investment that will repay "physician-entrepreneurs" many, many times over with guidance for researching the competitive landscape, protecting intellectual property, developing the right business and marketing plans, getting funding and going to market. Topics include practical strategies on how to: * Motivate entrepreneurial thinking * Understand the difference between a good idea and an opportunity * Protect your intellectual property * Evaluate the real-world potential for a new innovation, device or product * Create a stellar business plan that fast-tracks progress * Identify the right investors and raise capital - the rules of the game * Make the right marketing and distribution decisions * Leverage "MBA skills" - deal-making, valuation, negotiation, strategy, communication and more ...

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