



WHAT IF THERE WERE NO MEDICAL SOCIETY?

If there were no Medical Society...

- There would have been significant cuts to Medicare payments every single year, pushing private payer fees down even further.
- There would be no delay of or mass opposition to the ICD-10 coding system.
- You would have more onerous network requirements, including board certification and hospital affiliations.
- Physicians would be subject to a fee schedule when out-of-network.
- One room ambulatory surgery centers would be licensed and taxed as separate entities.
- There would be no limit on corporate ownership of physician practices.
- There would be no restraint of government mandates on CME, MOC and numerous other areas of your practice.
- Insurance companies would still be using the downwardly skewed, insurance company controlled Ingenix Database for UCR determinations.
- Your professional scope of practice would be diluted, with the expansion of scope of practice for non-physicians.
- You would still be paying a tax on cosmetic procedures.
- There would be no watch dog to prevent drug shortages or artificial limits.

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