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Quality healthcare for every American is still possible.



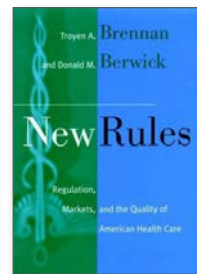
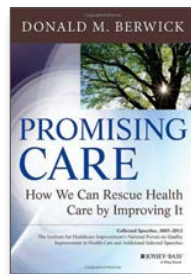
Biography

Don Berwick is the United States' leading advocate for high-quality healthcare, and one of the top thinkers in healthcare today. He sees tremendous unrealized potential in American medicine. Despite our outstanding knowledge base, expert practitioners, and world-class equipment, our healthcare system can do better in providing safe, high-quality care at reasonable costs. The perfect blend of content and inspiration, Dr. Berwick helps everyone pursue better, more affordable care. In his talks, he addresses the sources of excellence, and of defect, in health care settings today, explains which approaches are not effective, and provides real insight on where improvement can be attained.

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Don can also speak to the many new forces that are impacting healthcare. Disruptive changes, such as telehealth, new work-force roles, thoroughly empowered patients, artificial intelligence, machine learning, new sites of care, and mindfulness practice are impacting legacy models of care. Dr. Berwick shares how smart health care systems will need to adjust to survive. He also explores how addressing social determinants of health, long discussed but infrequently done, may now be arriving at last as a new way to invest. He explains the threats and opportunities that this trend will bring to traditional health care settings.

Don is currently President Emeritus and Senior Fellow at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement - IHI. From July 2010, to December 2011, Dr. Berwick served as Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. For 22 years prior to that, he was the founding CEO of the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, a nonprofit dedicated to improving healthcare around the world. A pediatrician by background, he has also served on the faculties of the Harvard Medical School and the Harvard School of Public Health. Dr. Berwick is on the Board of Advisors for Google Deep Mind Health and on the Board of Directors for LumiraDx, Virta Health and COTA, Inc.

In 2005, he was appointed “Honourary Knight Commander of the British Empire” by Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II, in recognition of his work with the British National Health Service. He is the recipient of many awards, including the Ernest A. Codman Award, the American Hospital Association’s Award of Honor, the Heinz award for Public Policy and the Institute of Medicine’s Gustav O. Lienhard Award. He has been named as a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians (London) and a Fellow of the Royal College of General Practice. His over 160 articles have appeared in professional journals on such topics as healthcare policy and healthcare quality management. His books include *Promising Healthcare: How We Can Rescue Health Care by Improving It*, *Curing Health Care*, and *New Rules: Regulation, Markets and the Quality of American Health Care*. A powerful motivator, Don encourages institutions and individuals to do their work better.

