Migration of Surgery from Inpatient to Outpatient: Implications for Stakeholders

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How Healthcare is Changing in the USA?

- Most expensive in the world
- Advanced cutting edge care
- Opioid epidemic
- Shifts from Inpatient to Outpatient
- Cost shifting to patients
- Aging population
## Who are the Stakeholders?

- The Government
- Insurance Companies
- Pharmaceutical Companies
- Hospitals
- Employers
- Patients
Transformational Legislations: Medicare–Medicaid –ACA/Obamacare

Focus of ACA
- Patients’ Rights and new consumer protection
- Improving quality and lowering costs
- Increasing access to affordable care

Highlights
- No discrimination based on pre-existing condition
- Accountability on providers
- 20+ million uninsured now getting coverage

Issues
- Mandate
- Penalties
- Costs of some premiums
Focus - Surgery

- High Cost
- Twin forces
  - Technology
  - Costs
Illustrations of Cost Savings

OUTPATIENT COST COMPARISON

$4,337
Average net cost per hospital-based surgical procedure

$2,429
Average net cost per freestanding, ASC-based procedure

ASCs reduce Medicare costs by $2.3 billion annually.
University of California, Berkeley, 2013

U.S. healthcare costs are reduced by more than $38 billion per year due to the availability of ambulatory surgery centers.
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Implications for the World

- Technology transfer
- Deliver healthcare at lower cost