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Hospitals

I have attached for this week's pre-reading 4 articles that I think you will find of interest. The first is a report from the American Hospital Association on the potential disrupters they foresee. The second article is from Forbes with a discussion about the reasons behind the \$5 billion acquisition of Geisinger Health by Kaiser Health. The last 2 are Wall Street Journal articles on Medical Errors and Nonprofit hospitals expanding into wealthier areas.

As always, these are for you. Either read the summaries, skim, or do a deep dive.

Enjoy!
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Topics

- Types of hospitals
- Rural hospital issues
- Large hospital systems for profit and nonprofit
- How hospitals bill
- Trends
- Challenges
- Case studies

Questions for Class 3

- Has your view of how hospitals changed?
- Do you see the differences between for-profit and nonprofit?
- Does the ability to see what charges you can expect change what you will do?
- Many hospitals are in financially challenging situations. With all the government payments they rely on, how can it improve?