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Greetings!

Here's a recap of blog posts and other news from the past month.

I look forward to sharing with you in coming newsletters work we are doing on a process and technology for a primary care clinical pathway to reduce the medication burden in seniors.

Thank you for your support.

Your feedback, as always, is greatly appreciated.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "D" that extends to the left.

David Healy, MD

RxISK stories

[Three Weeks To Prescripticide](#)

The post is by David Carmichael, who has coined the terms

"Prescripticide" for a death that is caused by an adverse reaction to a prescription drug. "What I experienced in 2004 is well aligned with this biomedical model, and I believe it may be very important for people to know my story. So I am writing this blog post, in detail, for the first time, about my own Paxil-induced homicide." [...]...»



Medical Kidnap: Get Out of Jail Free Report

The examples given in the Kidnapped series of posts are dramatic. They point to growing abuses in healthcare systems. The idea that in every way we are making more and more progress leads people to cut corners to bring the benefits of treatments they know will work to others. Those whose lives have been affected [...]...»

The Right Not to be Kidnapped

Declaration: In the last decade, a new problem has come into focus, illustrated by the posts over the last 4 weeks. Families and communities have traditionally provided the overwhelming bulk of care for relatives whether they were mentally infirm, elderly and dementing, younger with learning disabilities or suffering from physical illness. The impetus to care [...]...»

Medical Kidnapping: The Dilemmas of Therapeutic Optimism

Lost rights: The county asylum system that came into being in 1845 initiated a period of therapeutic optimism, that was extinguished by 1900. Therapeutic optimism re-emerged in the 1950s with the advent of the first effective psychotropic drugs. Current mental health legislation is predicated on a presumption of benefit from these drugs. [...]...»

The History of Medical Kidnapping

Medical Kidnapping goes back a bit. In 1706, Daniel Defoe, perhaps the first journalist and, with Robinson Crusoe, one of the very first novelists, reported on the case of a woman wrongfully locked up as mad by a husband in an effort to dispose of her. This was, it seems, close to the start of a new trade in kidnapping. [...]...»



From David's blog...

[Restoring Study 329: Letter to BMJ Jan 2016](#)

This was our final letter in the correspondence that began here and ran through here. There has been no response from Dr Godlee. [...]...»

[Restoring Study 329: Letter to BMJ](#)

The posts have gotten slightly out of sequence. This post should have preceded the responses from BMJ. It is the letter to which they were responding. This and other letters are on Study329.org. [...]...»

[Restoring Study 329: Correspondence with BMJ Jul 15 to Jan 16](#)

The letter from the Study 329 team to BMJ re Dr Loder featured in 50 Shades of Gray and in Conflicts of Interest. The actual letter and related correspondence is all on Study329.org. The emails below and in the next post tell you what happened next. [...]...»



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