“The Internet is the first thing that humanity has built that humanity doesn't understand, the largest experiment in anarchy that we have ever had.”

——-Eric Schmidt (Executive Chairman of Google)

The end of the year draws near again and we shake our heads at all the benefits and troubles new advances in technology have brought us as physicians. We may marvel at electronic prescribing—the ease of sending a prescription straight to the pharmacist, eliminating the problems of lost scripts or reading bad handwriting. At the same time, we fight with our computers on a daily basis when it comes to dealing with EMR glitches. The U.S. government, likewise, has found itself in a major crisis over the inability to fix the Health.gov website that promised so much to so many. This issue is detailed well in a guest commentary by Dr. Pedro Blandon.

Happy Holidays and a blessed New Year. May your computer be freeze-free and your bills be processed in a timely manner!

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