

Health Communication and Social Networking

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*some random observations from a skeptical blogger
with nothing to sell and
who thinks a lot about care management*

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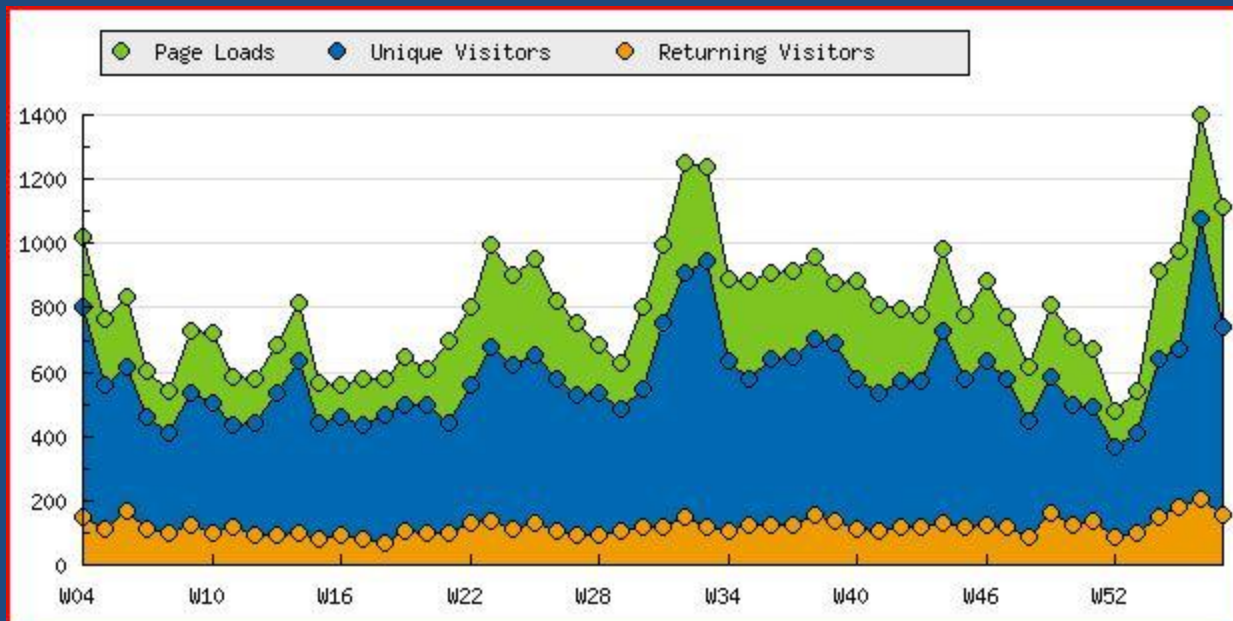
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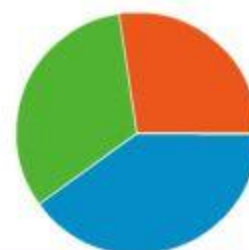


All traffic sources sent a total of 29,099 visits

32.59% Direct Traffic

27.40% Referring Sites

40.01% Search Engines



Search Engines
11,642.00 (40.01%)

Direct Traffic
9,483.00 (32.59%)

Referring Sites
7,973.00 (27.40%)

Other
1 (> 0.00%)

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Web-based Preventive Care and Chronic Disease Management System

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visits

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Today's estimated earnings: \$0.00[View payment history](#)

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	Page impressions	Clicks	Page CTR	Page eCPM [?]	Estimated earnings
AdSense for Content	53,232	40	0.08%	\$0.86	\$45.59
	Queries	Clicks	CTR	eCPM [?]	Estimated earnings
AdSense for Search ▶ top channels	280	9	3.21%	\$5.31	\$1.49
AdSense for Mobile Content - Get started					
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AdSense for Feeds - Get started					
Total estimated earnings					\$47.08

3,293 visits came from 953 service providers

Site Usage

Goal Set 1

AdSense Revenue

Visits

3,293% of Site Total:
100.00%

Pages/Visit

2.61Site Avg: 2.61
(0.00%)

Avg. Time on Site

00:01:05Site Avg: 00:01:05
(0.00%)

% New Visits

60.64%Site Avg: 60.55%
(0.15%)

	Service Provider None ▾	Visits ↓	Pages/Visit	Avg. Time on Site
41.	cable one inc.	10	3.20	00:02:35
42.	medimedia usa inc.	10	2.60	00:01:39
43.	shaw communications inc.	10	4.40	00:05:46
44.	sprint pcs	10	2.80	00:01:31
45.	uninet s.a. de c.v.	10	3.40	00:04:26
46.	united states senate	10	3.20	00:02:14
	ed telecom group llc	9	2.89	00:01:22
	valier telephone	9	2.67	00:01:28
	mana	9	3.33	00:05:22
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RECENT POSTS

WEEKLY NUGGETS

WALGREENS LAUNCHING TYPE 2 DIABETES SUPPORT PROGRAM
Pharmacists to coach insured customers 4 to 6 times a year.

FDA TO REVIEW INSULIN PUMP FAILURES
Meeting set for March 5, 2010. What does it mean?

Memory/Loss

Earlier this week I passed away. To be honest, I don't remember the last time I posted very recently. It disappears like



News

WIKIO
Blogs your way

Haiti iPad Davos + New page

Blog ranking - January 2010

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Top Blogs - Health

Health ☒

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WELCOME

Here you'll find 5 years' worth of info on every imaginable aspect of living with diabetes

fight aging!

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reason -at- fightaging -dot- org

Search

Required Reading

Calorie Restriction
The Community, Visualized

Why Live Another 20 Years?

Here is a short editorial recently posted to the Gerontology Research Group mailing list by coordinator Stephen Coles:

According to Homo sapiens DNA sequences, the "overall design" of the human body hasn't changed much over the last 200,000 years, when we first started out as active hunter/gatherers. Prior to the invention of agriculture, however, some 10,000 years ago, our bodies were well adapted by Darwinian evolution to our peripatetic ecological niche.

<http://www.fightaging.org/>



hpyloritest

See a picture of what a H. pylori infection looks like. <http://ow.ly/146u0>

about 13 hours ago from HootSuite

H. pylori can easily be detected within 10 minutes, at the physicians office. This short clip explains how..... <http://tinyurl.com/yejgmy8>

Name H. pylori Updates

Location New York

Web <http://www.helico...>

Bio News and updates on helicobacter pylori related issues. Brought by the makers of the BreathID System

1,995 1,295 33
following followers listed

Tweets 24

Favorites

Following



thewellnessprog

Get Future Health Now! Dr. Carolyn Dean's 48-Week Total Wellness Program. <http://bit.ly/bF29WZ>

18 minutes ago from API

Experience the First Week of Dr. Carolyn Dean's 48-Week Wellness Program Without Even Opening Your

Name Total Wellness

Web <http://bit.ly/bF29WZ>

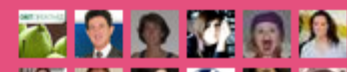
Bio If you are interested in your health and wellness I will recommend to you, today, Dr. Carolyn Dean's 48-Week Wellness Program.

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Social Networking Defined

- The internet-based connectivity of individuals using a variety of tools such as Web logs, instant messaging chat clients, and online databases.
- “Bottom up” development, democratic, decentralized, user generated, sharing, reuse and peer to peer exchanging
- Transcend time and geography
- In the business context, it’s widely used to promote *business* contacts.
- Can it be used to promote *clinical* contacts?



Peer to Peer Defined

Online relationships that are

- Networked
- Autonomous
- Egalitarian
- Freely cooperative
- Organized around a common task
- With distributed decision making
- For the common good



[illegible]

What Does This Mean?



Holt & colleagues: Report: The Past and Future of Health 2.0, available at <http://www.health2con.com/health-2-0-advisors/report-the-past-and-future-of-health-2-0/>

For example, a
community called...

The Facebook logo, consisting of the word "facebook" in white lowercase letters on a blue rectangular background.

- 757 health-related groups with 290,000 users:
47.4% patient groups or patient/carer support
groups 28% fund raising 19%, miscellaneous
6%; mostly cardiovascular disease and cancer
- *Less than 1% of users are in medical practice*

1 Farmer et al: Social networking sites: a novel portal for communication.
Postgrad Med J 2009;85:455-459

2 Lou J: How to Make Social Networking On the Internet Work for You. *Psychiatry
News* 2005;40(16): 13

Accuracy?

Esquivel A, Meric-Bernstam F, Bernstam EV: Accuracy and self correction of information received from an internet breast cancer list: content analysis. *BMJ* 2006;332:939-942

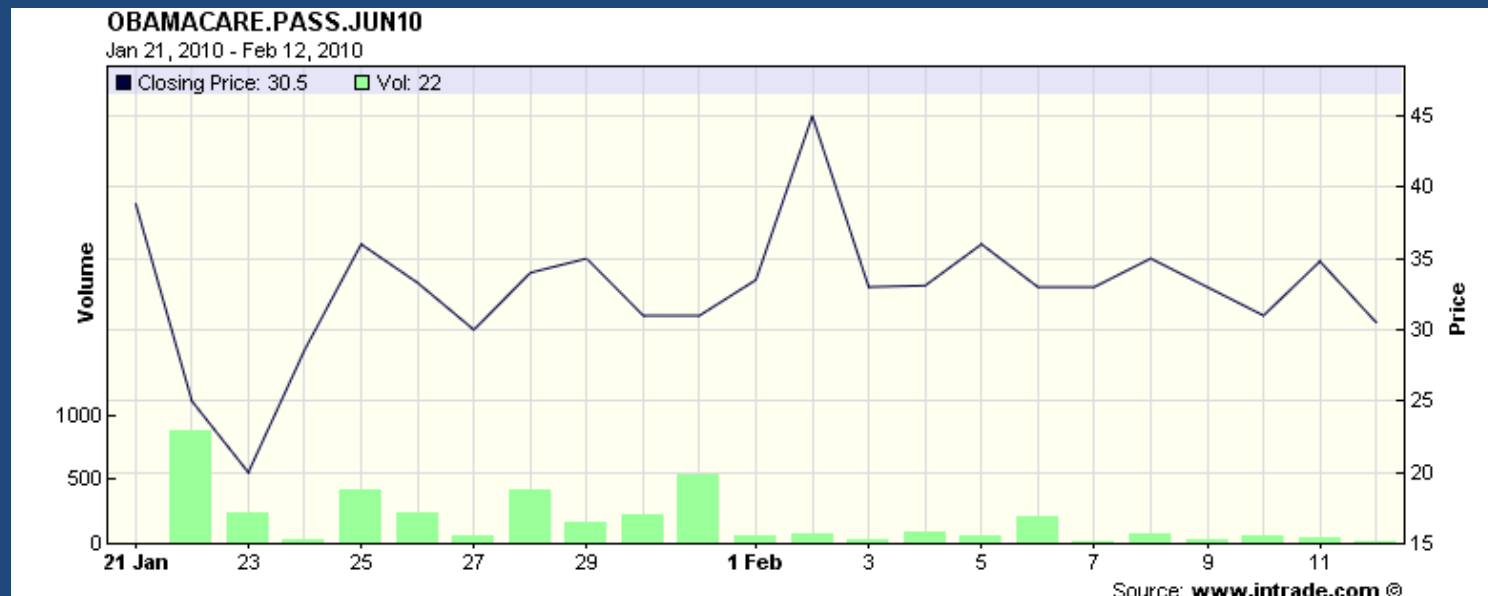
- An internet cancer support group
- 4600 postings from 2005, there were 10 (0.22%) that were false or misleading
- Most were addressed/corrected *within nine hours*.



Wisdom of Crowds

“A jury of 12 Forrest Gumps beats 1 Rhodes Scholar”

- Groups' decision-making plus the participation of some experts leads to an accurate aggregate assessment if
a) *diverse*, b) *independent* and c) *decentralized*
- Prediction Markets:



But....

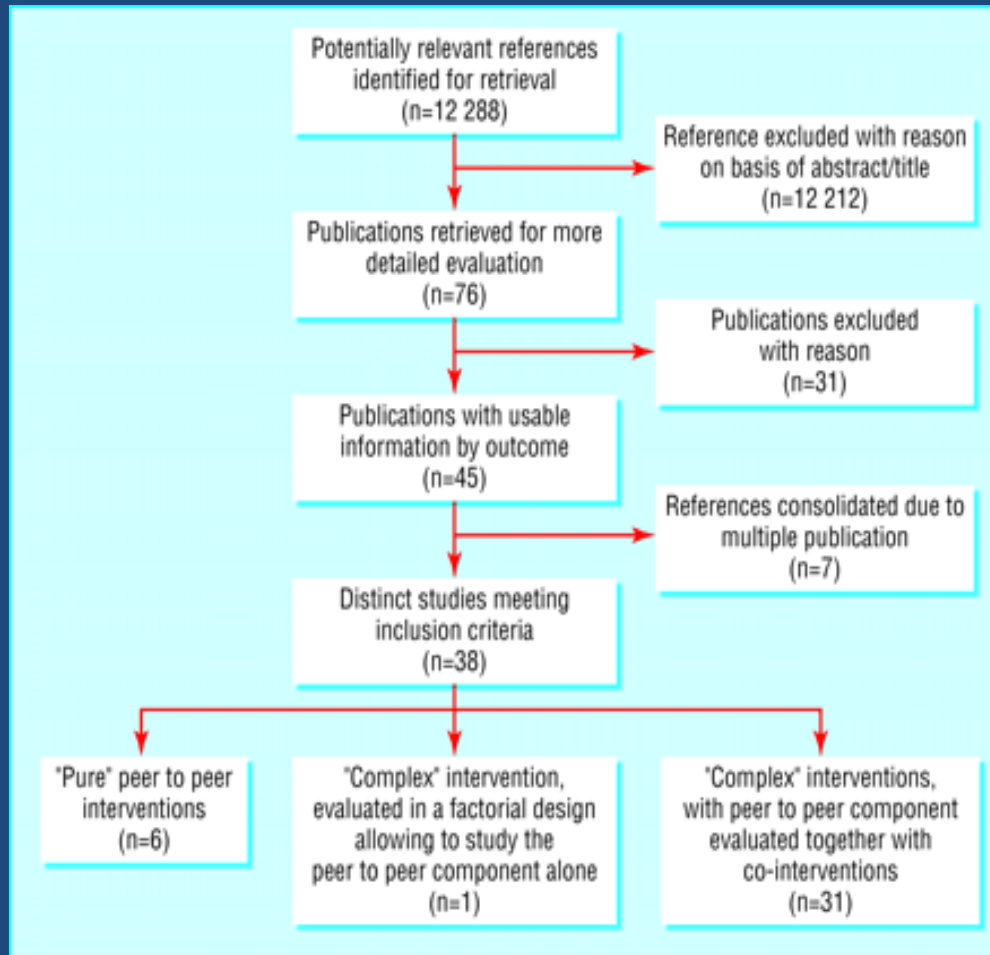
Eysenbach G, Powell J, Kuss O, SA E: Empirical studies assessing the quality of health information for consumers on the world wide web. JAMA 2002;287:2691-2700

- 780 citations, 170 articles, 79 met criteria reviewing 5941 web sites with 480 evaluation results for 86 quality criteria
- 70% reported problems
- Due to differences in study methods and rigor, quality criteria, study population, and topic chosen, study results and conclusions vary widely. *Operational definitions of quality criteria are needed*



And.....

Eysenbach et al: Health related virtual communities & electronic support groups. BMJ 2004;328:1-6



“Despite extensive searches in literature **we failed to find robust evidence on the health benefits of virtual communities and peer to peer online support.** In 31 studies investigators evaluated complex interventions...**making it impossible to draw conclusions on the effectiveness of "pure" electronic peer to peer interactions as used daily by millions of people participating in internet discussion groups or mailing lists.**”

Some Implications for Population-Based Care Management

What Works for Worksite Wellness:

- HRAs
 - Personalized, Summarized (CNA) & Predictive
- Participation/Attainment incentives (average \$329, up to \$4000)
 - Monetary, gift certificates, items and raffles
- Leadership participation
- Goal setting, measurement, validation, feedback
- **Communication, communication, communication**



Implications for Population-Based Care Management

Typically.....

- 10,000 steps a day
- 5 fruits and vegetables a day
- Weight loss
- Tobacco Abuse
- Stress management



Communication.....

- Tournaments/Leagues
- Activity groups
- Invitation by trusted friends
- Recipes
- Educational e-zines
- Motivational messages

Common Assertions

Boost Participation/Retention by....



1. Promoting participation –
“peer to peer” being a form of ‘peer pressure’:
 - Teams, challenges/competition, groups, information sharing
2. “Micro” communities – information sharing and mutual coaching
3. Health behaviors are “communicable”
4. Promotes fun – and it’s kewl
5. **Dirt cheap** – compared to \$4K financial incentives

Versus....





Examples of On-line Communication



- Online – web based
- Blogs (online diaries)
- Phone text messaging
- Bulletin boards
- Internet forums
- podcasts
- E-mail
- Wikis (online document collaboration)
- Twitter
- Flickr
- YouTube
- SecondLife
- Facebook, MySpace, Bebo, LinkedIn



Challenges

- Confidentiality
- HIPAA Laws, Regulations and Remedies
- Fraud,
- Data mining,
- Surveillance,
- Cyber bullying
- Sexual predation



But... this is why & what is going to happen with or without you (us)

- Implications of Health 2.0
- The business model – the ROI
- The breakdown of credentials
- Communication: Speed, ease & completeness
- Campaigns – no single lever
- Blood on the floor 1st page
- Tipping Point(ing)
- Curious absence of DM providers



Implications of Health 2.0

What the nerds are telling us:

- Combining of Search, Self Management Tools & Communities into 'Unplatforms'
- Greater adoption in "Usual Health Care"
- Data *richness* (ADL, biometrics, genetics) (and possibly *overload*)
- Data *liquidity* travails (privacy, formatting and "meaningful use")
- No one is in control (yet)



Business Model Built on...

a) Low Cost and b) Fame

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DELECTABLE DELIGHTS

Triple Chocolate Chip Cookies

From Kristin Sidorov on December 22nd, 2009



Why are cookies so often relegated to second-string dessert status — something to placate the kids while the adults enjoy cheesecake or apple pie? There are so many varieties and cookies are easy and fun to make. And in some circumstances, they can be the perfect finish to your meal. One tasty favorite is the *Triple Chocolate Chip Cookie*.

COMFORT FOOD FOR A COMFY NIGHT

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Kristin Sidorov is a writer and lifelong student of the culinary arts, and loves creating new recipes for delicious treats and desserts. Combining her two greatest passions – writing and food – Kristin hopes to share her love of dessert making along to everyone using simple and fresh, yet decadent ingredients.

The Demise of Credentials



The Geek Group
Not –for -profit
Based in Kalamazoo MI
High-tech experimentation.

“Chris Boden likes to say that he hacked college. He went to classes, he lived on campus.

Mr. CHRIS BODEN: *But I never enrolled, I couldn't afford to, but I wanted to learn. And I found very quickly that if you actually have a **sincere, passionate desire to learn and you don't care about the degree, that the whole world is a school.***

The Three Legged Stool of Web 2.0 Communication

**Completeness
Thoroughness**



**Speed
Nimbleness**

**Ease
Time**

Communicatin'

It's Noisy Out There

- “Blood on the floor on the 1st page” for online publishing success
- Submission that is “snarky, rude and pushy” for a blog

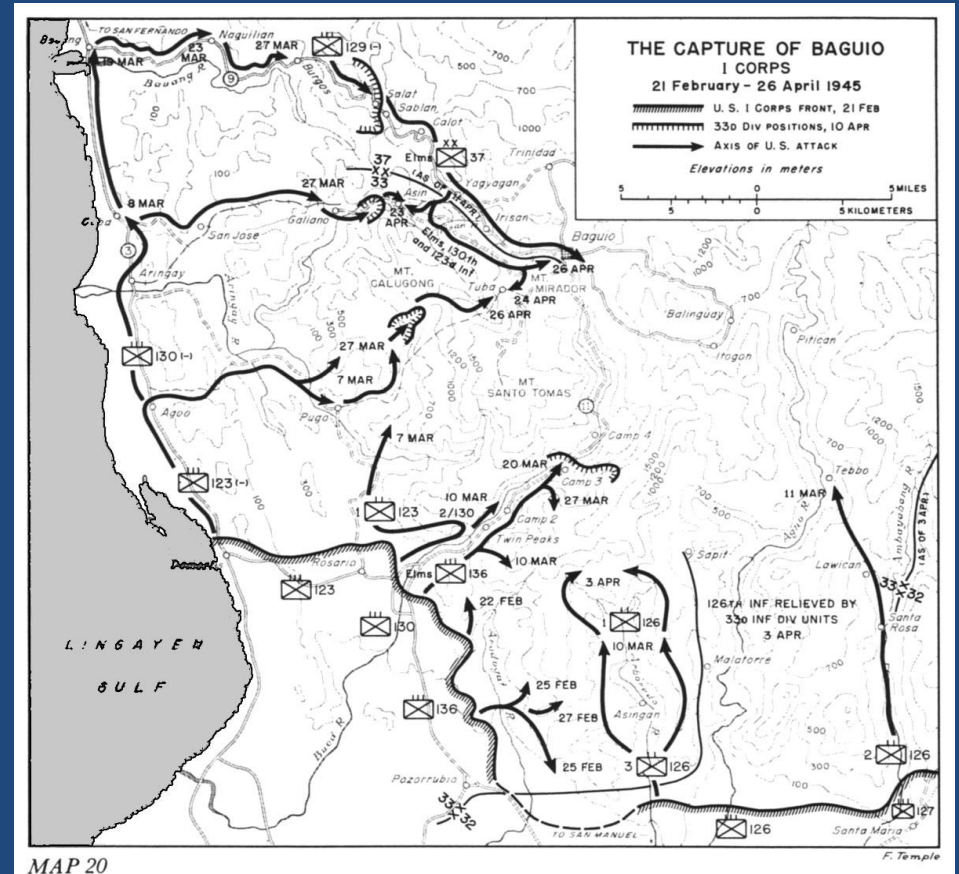


“Campaign”

There is no single:

- ✓ Communication channel
- ✓ Message
- ✓ Homerun
- ✓ End

Synergies: but effect is greater than the sum of its parts



Tipping Point'ing and the success of social media

Connectors:

- Know, read & link lots of sites



The *Wall Street Journal* says HealthHombre "reads more regulations, proposed rules, draft legislation and other stuff than is healthy for any person."

Mavens:

- Experts that keep things honest

Health Care Policy and Marketplace Review

A Health Care Blog--Bob Laszewski's review of the latest developments in federal health

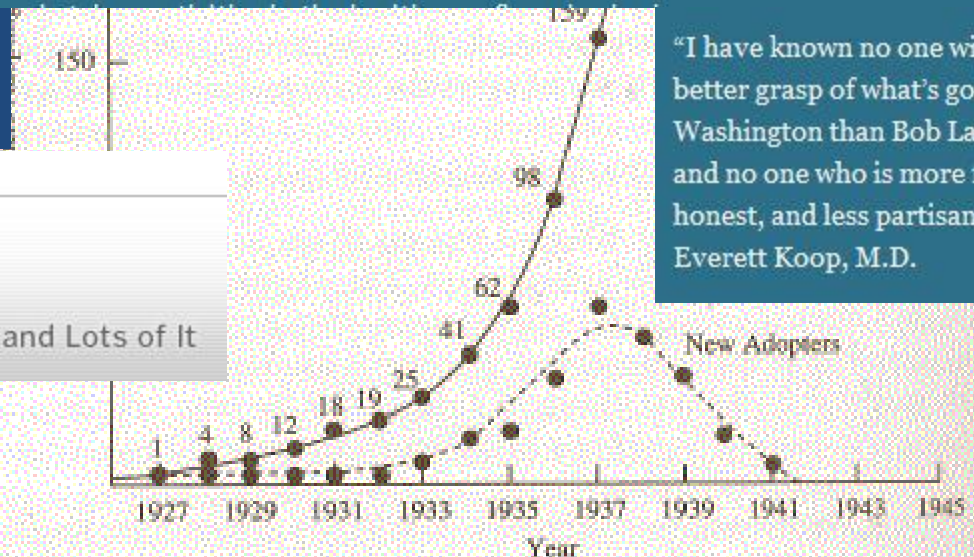
Salesman:

Energetic, enthusiastic, likeability



Ezra Klein

Economic and Domestic Policy, and Lots of It



"I have known no one with a better grasp of what's going on in Washington than Bob Laszewski and no one who is more fair, honest, and less partisan."—C. Everett Koop, M.D.

Whither Care Management?

The collage features several overlapping website screenshots:

- Healthways:** A screenshot of the Healthways website with a navigation bar containing "HEALTHWAYS", "APPROACH", and "SOLUTIONS". Below the navigation bar, there is a "Talk To Us" link and a large "Talk to Us!" button.
- Health Dialog:** A screenshot of the Health Dialog website, featuring the company logo and a "Contact us" button.
- StayWell Health Management:** A screenshot of the StayWell website, showing the company logo and a "Sign up for Email News" form. The form includes fields for "Email address (required)", "First Name (required)", and "Last Name (required)".
- LinkedIn:** A screenshot of a LinkedIn profile page for "DMAA Outcomes", showing the profile picture and a "Sign up for Email News" form.



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