

“In health policy, magic bullet answers tend to have more appeal than incremental adjustments. Politicians faced with the daunting issue in healthcare are eager to embrace new ideas promoted by academics and think tanks. However, in implementation, intrinsic flaws in design...tend to be ignored. Once launched, inconvenient data about cost savings and quality tend to be downplayed or ignored until intrinsic flaws become manifest, which would be the signal to embrace a new idea.”

-- Naoki Ikegami. “In Defense of Regulated Fee-for-Service Payments: A Response to Recent Commentaries.” in *International Journal of Health Policy and Management*. 2015, 4(9), 635-636