Strong Push Toward Price Control and Transparency Measures Around Drugs

Public and political pressure on the control of surging drug prices, globally, will compel health authorities to bring transparency measures around drugs pricing, especially for some of the diabetes and cholesterol medicines where more low-cost generic competition is gaining market acceptance.

Blockchain Becomes One of The Most Important Technologies In The Healthcare Industry

With the potential to change how healthcare information is stored, shared, secured and paid for, blockchain technologies have begun several in some of the largest challenges in healthcare-information management. Companies like Gem Health are among the few companies currently advocating the use and benefits of such a platform.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Transforms Medical Imaging Informatics

As more and more experts and other professionals are becoming aware of the potential benefits of blockchain solutions, and not exclusively, uptake of AI-enabled clinical decision-support tools is expected to increase in the coming year. As a result, by the end of 2017, we will see more meaningful and significant imaging-by-computing solutions with advanced interpretation and imaging informatics supports.

Deployment of More Sophisticated Outcomes-Based Compensation Care Models

To date, the majority of outcome-based compensation models are, in reality, performance-modifiers built on top of legacy fee-for-service reimbursement schemes. In 2017, we will begin to see more fully formed schemes that focus on outcomes that matter and the care continuum.

Apple to Enter Clinical Healthcare

Healthcare has long been a focus for Apple in the past two years, and the company is committed to creating more clinically actionable products and services. Last August, Apple acquired medical records startup Gliimpse in order to complement its presence in the personal healthcare information management market and complement existing solutions; these include HealthKit, CareKit and ResearchKit. This marks a tangible shift for Apple toward more clinically-oriented solutions.

Venture Capital (VC) Healthcare Investment Will Have A Record Year

An ideal confluence of events is poised to make 2017 a banner year for VC investment in healthcare. Strains on healthcare spending, the global recession, tightening regulatory oversight and other factors have put a stranglehold on VC dollar flow over the past five years, particularly for very early-stage companies in the healthcare industry. However, with the maturation of certain emerging technologies, policy changes to the FDA and access to cash, it is expected there will be a resurgence in funding for new healthcare technologies.

The Digital Health Toolkit Comes to Behavioral Health

Digital health coaching platforms and wellness programs with proven behavioral therapies will find their way into an efficiently digitized post-acute care and rehabilitation space. Innovative engagement platforms are capable of capturing and delivering the behavioral health care, and the analytics are already aware of the state-of-the-art. However, these platforms are essential in making mental and behavioral health a priority.

Point-Of-Care Diagnostic Devices Push Telehealth Beyond Video Conferencing

Consumer Will Be the New King in Healthcare Decision Making

This concept of consumerization has been evolving within the healthcare industry and is advancing predictably with the shifting industry focus from volume to value-based care delivery models. With this thrust toward engagement frameworks, consumers are more receptive to communication at any time and in any place. As such, we will see a higher demand for consumer-friendly diagnostic devices that are easy to use and provide instant results.

SOURCE: https://www.forbes.com/sites/reenitadas/2017/01/06/9-top-healthcare-predictions-for-2017/#1a40d05d5e68

1 (802) 900-4260 | info@valleymedicalsupplies.com | www.valleymedicalsupplies.com