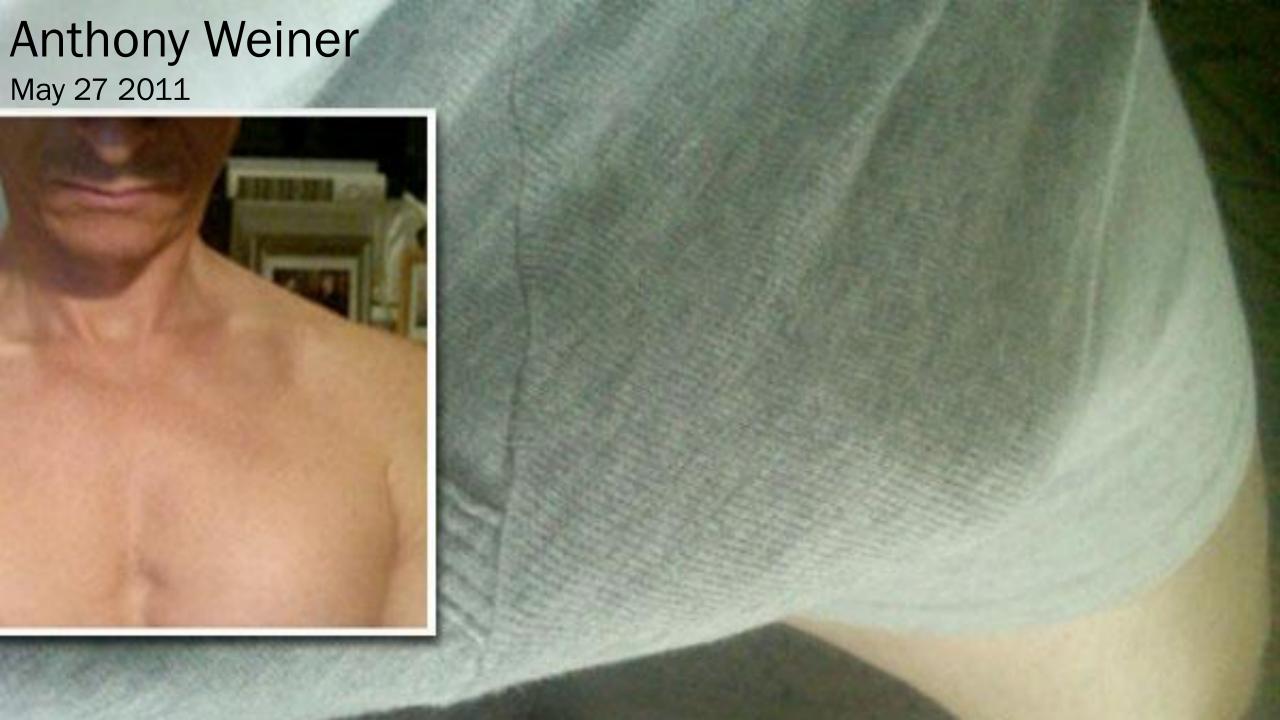


# Social Media in Medicine: Pitfalls & Precautions

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### DISCLOSURES

#### The Dramatic Increase in Social Media in Urology

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### Tweeting the Meeting: An In-Depth Analysis of Twitter Activity at Kidney Week 2011

Tejas Desai . Afreen Shariff, Aabid Shariff, Mark Kats, Xiangming Fang, Cynthia Christiano, Maria Ferris

### Trends in Twitter Use by Physicians at the American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting, 2010 and 2011

By Aafia Chaudhry, MD, L. Michael Glodé, MD, FACP, Matt Gillman, and Robert S. Miller, MD, FACP

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#### Use of Twitter to document the 2013 Academic Surgical Congress

Amalia Cochran, MD, MA, Lillian S. Kao, MD, MS, Niraj J. Gusani, MD, MS, James W. Suliburk, MD, and Benedict C. Nwomeh, MD, MPH of

125 Tweeting the Meeting: Investigating Twitter Activity At the 2012 AAAAI Conference

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#### St. John's Mercy Medical Center Saint Louis, MO 1.28.13

So I have a patient who has chosen to either no-show or be late (sometimes hours) for all of her prenatal visits, ultrasounds, and NSTs. She is now 3 hours late for her induction. May I show up late to her delivery?

#### Share

7 people like this.



Lisa Wolfe I'm surprise u see a patient that late. I came 30 min to my Gyne once and they made me reschedule, even though I once waited 2 hrs to be seen by this dr.

January 28 at 7:23pm via mobile



Mike Lasser If it's elective, it'd be canceled! OB/GYN January 28 at 7:33pm - x 1



Pat Kramer I agree with Dr. Lasser. Cancel the induction. Registered Nurse - Medical January 28 at 7:40pm College of Wisconsin



Amy Dunbar here is the explanation why I have put up with it/ not cancelled induction: prior stillbirth.

January 28 at 7:41pm via mobile



Pat Kramer I thought of that after I hit send. I do not understand some people. I try to be at least minutes and bring a book, magazine and Kindle so the time waiting does not seem so long.

January 28 at 7:44pm



Pat Kramer That should have been minutes early.

January 28 at 7:46pm



Sandy Hou Maybe she's hitting up the bar for her last drink?I Child Psychiatrist ENKI January 28 at 9:11pm via mobile - △ 1 Clinics



Anna Simpson Wichgers I love being early to my o.b. appointments! It's more time for me to read, or sleep, or relax!!!

January 28 at 9:27pm - 1

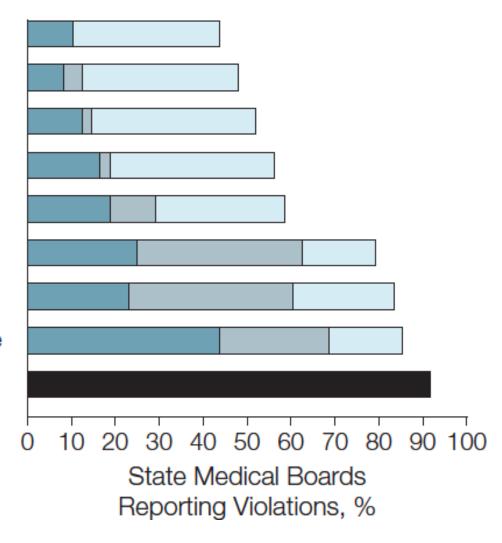


# BUT YOU & I WOULD NEVER DO THAT...

# Frequency of violations 1-3 >3 Unknown

#### Violation

Discriminatory language or practices online Online depiction of intoxication Online derogatory patient remarks Failure to reveal conflicts of interest online Online violations of patient confidentiality Use of Internet for inappropriate practice Online misrepresentations of credentials Inappropriate patient communication online ≥1 Violation in at least 1 of above



≥1 online professionalism violation

69% Inappropriate patient communication

Suspended/revoked medical license

# WHAT CONSTITUTES AN ONLINE VIOLATION?

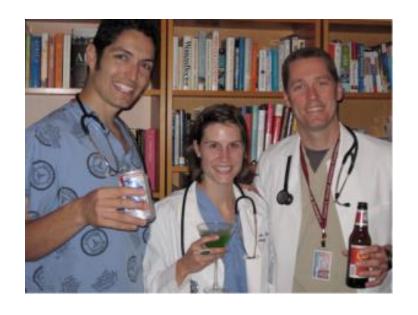
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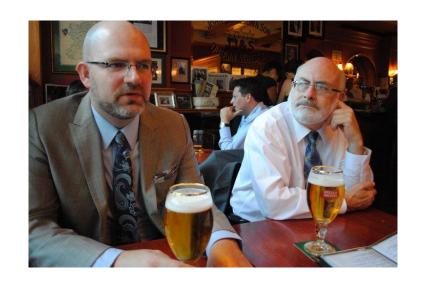
Never or Rarely Acceptable %

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Chretien K, et al., Acad Med. 2011 Dec;86(12):1545-50.













### Misleading claims "cure your cancer"

77%

Misrepresentation of credentials

79%

Patient images without consent

77%

Inappropriate online communication

73%

Intoxication depicted

65%

Narrative re: patients – potential identifiers

60%

Narrative suggests discrimination



Narrative – disrespect for patients

40%

Alcohol – no intoxication

16%

Narrative re: patients – no identifiers

# "CLEARLY PARALLEL COMMON OFFLINE VIOLATIONS"





### **CMA POLICY**

# Social media and Canadian physicians: Issues and rules of engagement



Social media pose a challenge for physicians in terms of separating one's personal and professional lives. While such a separation is a fundamental tenet of the medical profession, social media blur such boundaries in ways that can enrich communications but can also put physicians at risk.

It is an entirely new environment that medical professionalism has not yet satisfactorily addressed.

### Understand the technology and your audience

Be transparent

Respect others

Focus on areas of expertise

#### SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

89%

Fear discipline for online activity

39%

Approached by patients online

19%

Urologists that have read SoMe guidelines

### **GUIDELINES: PATIENT INTERACTION**

PROTECT PRIVACY & CONFIDENTIALITY AT ALL TIMES

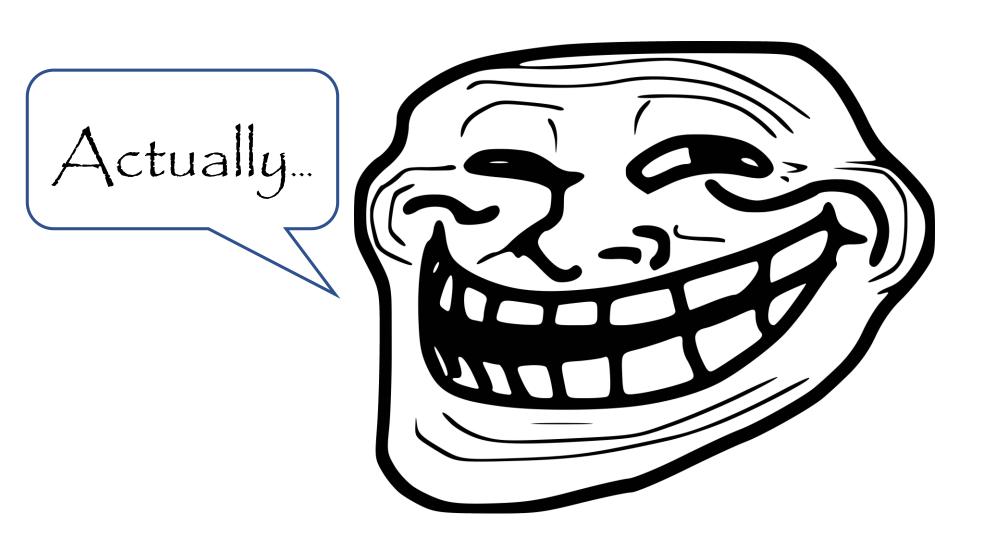
BE CAREFUL WITH PATIENT INTERACTION

CONSENT & DATA SAFEGUARDS ARE KEY IN PATIENT INTERACTION

### **GUIDELINES: ONLINE PROFESSIONALISM**

PERMANENCE STANDARDS OF MEDICINE RESPECTFUL & HONEST REPRESENT YOURSELF SEPARATE PROFESSIONAL & PERSONAL AVOID COI, ADVERTISING & SELF-PROMOTION

### WHAT IS SoMe MAKING US DO?





kim collier @kimmielovesnana · Sep 14

@\_TheUrologist\_ begging for help. U.s.a. Lady almost 105 needs urologist. Funds cut/no one will touch her. Please contact@NanaSophie1909 :(

11:12 PM - 14 Sep 2014 · Details

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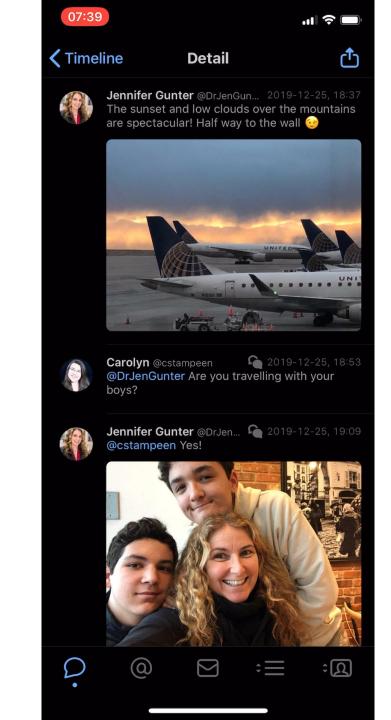
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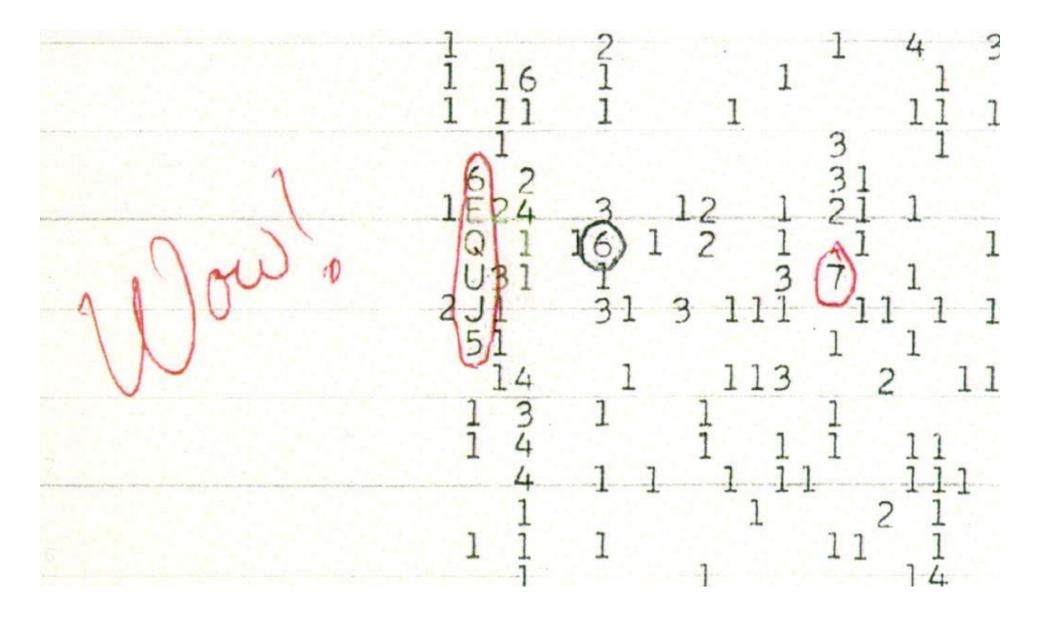
@\_TheUrologist\_ You saw my dad in Emerg on Sat night/Sun morn. Large tumor in bladder. No urologist has seen him since.

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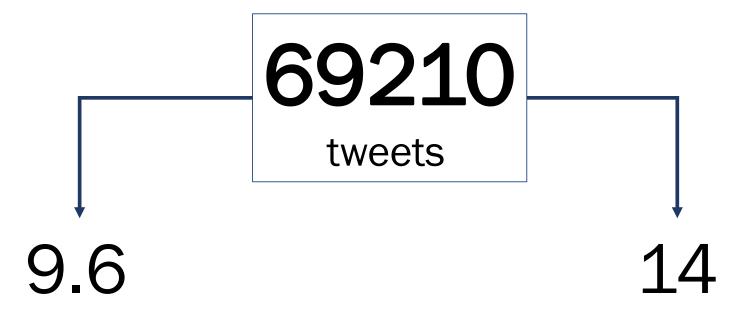


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### #ASC018



tweets per minute/24h

tweets/min over 16h waking day

A tweet every 4 seconds



Some faculty give our residents alcohol. Others give coffee. One gives a hefty dinner gift card.

I gift something much greater—the experience and knowledge of written word.

Last year was my first, so I bestowed upon them a Yuletide treat—@DavidSedaris's Holidays on Ice.

4:44 PM · Dec 22, 2019 · Twitter for iPhone

3 Likes



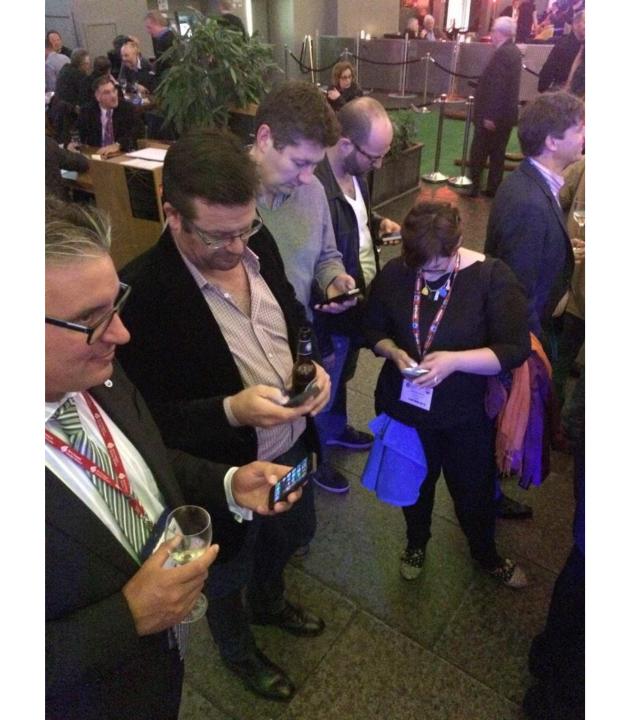


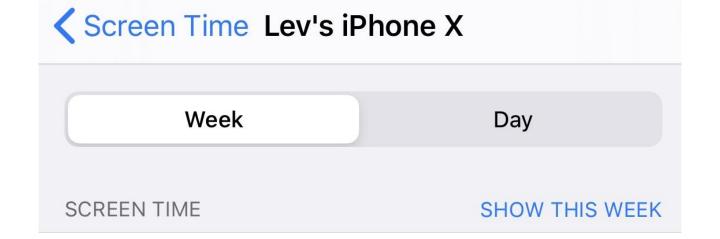


Social media is like looking in the fridge over & over. You know there's nothing good but you check it so many times that eventually you start consuming things you don't even like.

12:44 PM · 12/20/19 from Missouri, USA · Twitter for iPhone

### ...AND YET DESPITE ALL THIS...





Last Week's Average



**Total Screen Time** 

31 h 22 min.

The issues beg the solutions

Resist the urge to malign patients!

Follow judiciously, unfollow liberally

Use lists, mute, block

If you wouldn't say it in a packed elevator...

### DON'T LIE, DON'T PRY

DON'T CHEAT, CAN'T DELETE

DON'T STEAL, DON'T REVEAL