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The following are a few brief reasons why, as a practicing physician, I believe strongly that the corporate practice of medicine should be banned:

- 1) perverse incentive structure where the primary goal of non-physician corporations is to generate profit or return money to shareholders rather than deliver the best possible patient care
- 2) taking control away from physicians regarding scheduling or dictating how physicians should practice medicine to "enhance" the bottom-line. This lack of autonomy also contributes to physician burnout
- 3) creation of monopolies where these non-physician groups can use their market power to raise prices and increase costs to patients
- 4) only physicians have gone to medical school and have taken the Hippocratic oath. Corporations do not have the education or ethical background required to practice medicine and should not be able to "own" physicians and use physicians as means of labor to extract profit