

What is the future of AI?

Transcript

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So, you've been involved in HHS (Department of Health and Human Services), with Trump, with Biden. You've written the PCAST Report on patient safety. Can you tell us a little bit about what you think about for the future of AI?

Dr. Peter Pronovost

Yeah. That's great question. There's so much change coming out from the federal government now. And, you know, I would say what is certain is disruption. What is uncertain is the destination where it's going to go. But I would say there's a couple really hopeful things that are coming out of it.

There will no doubt be an acceleration of AI and tech. I mean, this is a ... they're very pro tech as they're bringing a lot of people, which I think will be an accelerant. Because I said where most health systems, like I share with you, are riddled with fear because we're risk-averse organizations. The rules aren't clear. Our compliance officers don't want to get ahead of us. And, you know, it's unclear what the FDA requires.

And I think there's going to be a lot of either reduced risk for doing those things or clarifying it. And so, I think there will be much more, there will almost certainly be reduced regulation to accelerate this kind of thing. And there will be a whole lot of incentives to use tech for chronic disease and, you know, reduce harm that which, again, they've been largely neglected in, you know, in our investments so far. So, I think they'll you're going to see a rocket ship from running AI.