

Doctors Need To Be Part Of The Digital Revolution

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There's a [big discussion going on](#) [1] in the health tech community about a controversial keynote speech given by Vinod Khosla at the Health Innovation Summit (HIS), in which he stated that 80 percent of what doctors do could be replaced by machines.

If you're a doc like me who has no idea who the heck Vinod Khosla is (he's a venture capitalist and co-founder of Sun Microsystems), why he'd be a keynote speaker at a healthcare event and what the heck HIS is, well, that's the point of this post.

You see, there are a whole lot of folks like Khosla out there - investors, entrepreneurs, tech types - who are attempting to redefine healthcare according to [their own personal vision](#) [2]. Where we see a healthcare system in crisis, they see opportunity - just another problem with a technological solution. Computer-driven algorithms are the answer to misdiagnosis and medical error, iPhone apps can replace physician visits, video connectivity can increase access.

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