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SURVEY: PHYSICIANS SPLIT ON HEALTHCARE REFORM ACT

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According to a physician survey conducted by the Deloitte Center for Health Solutions, 44% of physicians in the United States believe the *Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act* is a "good start," while an equal proportion consider it "a step in the wrong direction." In addition, 70% of physicians consider themselves "somewhat informed" about PPACA, and 25% consider themselves "very informed." The researchers surveyed 501 physicians and weighted data by factors such as years in practice, gender, and religion to reflect the national distribution of physicians in the American Medical Association master file. The report also finds that 60% of all physicians consider the U.S. healthcare system to be average or below average, while 35% rate it excellent or above average, and 5% rate it failing.

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