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It has been a most-wanted-to-address but a challenging issue for many disciplines- how to reduce EHR-related physician burnout.

Many providers considered themselves not tech-savvy, especially the older generation before the everyday use of digital devices. They have been used to the simplicity of paper orders and documentation; therefore, it is not hard to imagine their frustration toward the novelty and extensive amount of time added to their daily task. This would be difficult to solve due to their lack of familiarity with electronic devices.

Another very likely cause of EHR-related burnout is the variety and complexity of the EHRs. Although they share similarities, each EHR was created to address individual goals and tasks. One can imagine the challenge of learning different EHRs, especially if the physician works for different hospitals. I think it is somewhat easy to tackle, as once the physician can understand the fundamentals of EHR, it hopefully will save them time later with orders and documentation or when learning a new EHR system.