

No More Sick Notes?

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The Ontario Medical Association wants employers to stop asking their employees for sick notes because it overloads doctors who should be focused on treating people. But employers say sick notes are necessary, providing a disincentive for employees to fake sick.

Suspicion among many employers is that their workers have their own ruses when it comes to taking off sick days so they want doctors' sick notes. But the Ontario Medical Association says doctors are being forced to police absenteeism, collectively losing time by writing tens-of-thousands of sick notes. Critics say when it comes to sick days employers and employees need a prescription for trust.

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