A Singular Intimacy: Connecting the Bridge Between Caregiver and Patient

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Despite enormous advances in health care, patients and caregivers alike are dissatisfied with their experience. So much of medicine has been boiled down to rote algorithms and assembly-line care. Seeking inspiration from the gripping narratives of urban medicine to the unlikely poetry of the ICU, this presentation probes the most fundamental aspect of medical care — how caregivers and patients connect.

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