

Dr. Erica Rowe Urquhart's The Invisible Hand Wielding the Scalpel Becomes a #1 Bestseller



Montclair, New Jersey Mar 9, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.IssueWire.com)) - Dr. Erica Rowe Urquhart, M.D., Ph.D., M.B.A., physician-scientist, orthopedic surgeon, and private practice owner, announces that her book, ***The Invisible Hand Wielding the Scalpel: The Hidden Cause of America's Healthcare Crisis***, has become a **#1 bestseller**, capturing national attention for its bold, firsthand account of the economic forces shaping healthcare in the United States.

In *The Invisible Hand Wielding the Scalpel*, Dr. Urquhart argues that America's healthcare crisis is not driven by a lack of compassion or clinical expertise—but by a system engineered to protect profits. Drawing on decades of frontline experience, she reveals how insurance tactics such as prior authorizations, retroactive denials, and deliberately confusing policies are used to delay care, deny claims, and push patients toward financial ruin.

The book outlines how insurer practices and market-driven incentives contribute to:

- Delays in urgent and medically necessary care
- Denials of legitimate claims and retroactive cancellations
- Physician burnout and the collapse of private practice
- Reduced patient choice and growing consolidation
- Widening disparities in access and outcomes

“The American healthcare crisis is not a failure of good intentions,” says Dr. Urquhart. “It is the success of a system designed to put profits first. I wrote this book to expose what's happening behind the scenes and to empower both patients and physicians with knowledge that can drive real change.”

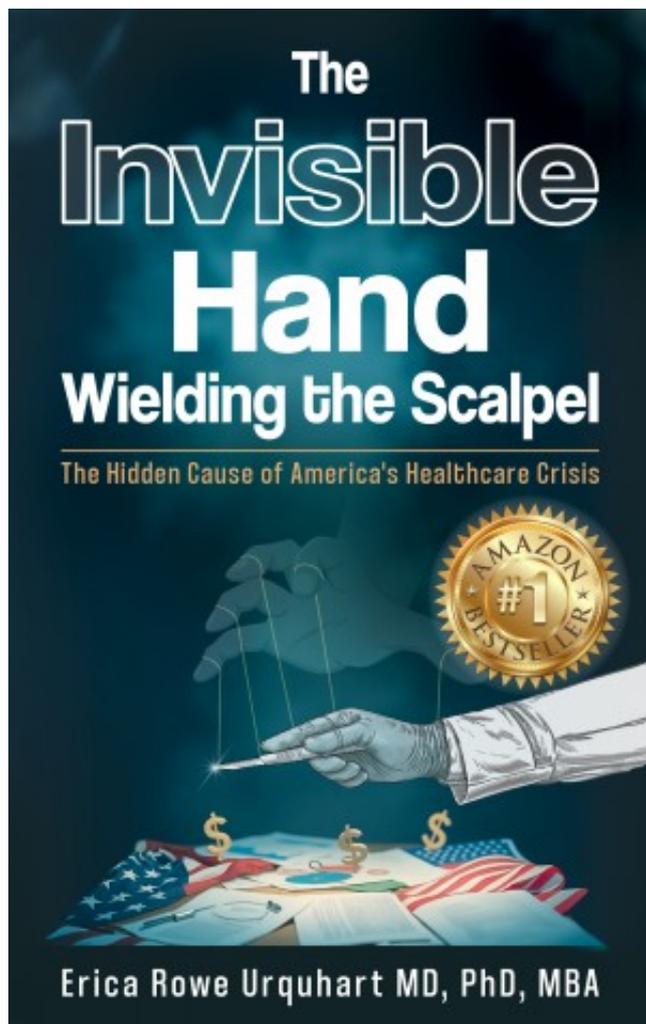
The Invisible Hand Wielding the Scalpel: The Hidden Cause of America's Healthcare Crisis is now available on **Amazon**: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0GK2ZMXPC>

About the Author

Erica Rowe Urquhart, M.D., Ph.D., M.B.A. is a physician-scientist, author, and orthopedic surgeon focused on healthcare economics, medical practice consolidation, and health equity in the United States.

She is the author of *The Invisible Hand Wielding the Scalpel: The Hidden Cause of America's Healthcare Crisis*, a critical analysis of how capitalist market forces reshape medical care delivery, contributing to reduced patient choice and widening health disparities. Written for both healthcare providers and patients, the book calls for informed advocacy, policy engagement, and systemic reform.

Her academic work has been widely published in peer-reviewed journals, including *Nature Neuroscience*, *Neuron*, and *Cell*. Today, Dr. Urquhart speaks and writes on healthcare economics, the decline of private medical practice, physician-led care models, and the pursuit of equity and justice in healthcare.



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