Do you remember what the U.S. automotive industry was like in the 70s and 80s – when we realized that foreign carmakers could build more reliable, better looking, and cheaper cars? There are parallels now with U.S. health care. We have amazingly advanced pharmaceutical, radiologic, and genetic science, yet our health care delivery system is broken, burdened by inefficiency, waste, mistakes, and safety issues.

We know what to do, but not how to do it in a reliable, safe and affordable way... for every patient, every day.

There is no one discipline that can solve the problems of health care. To meet the needs of patients today and transition to new value-based payment models, we must combine analytics, decision support, lean systems, quantitative process analysis, stakeholder engagement, innovative solution design and human factors.

Dr. Jeanne Huddleston, medical director of the Mayo Clinic’s Healthcare Systems Engineering Program, will highlight recent work at the Mayo Clinic.

Jeanne Huddleston
“The Science of Health Care Delivery”

Monday December 8, 2014, 4:30-6:30PM in 1123 LBME

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