General Practitioners in leadership and governance

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S tolarek et al’s editorial on leadership and governance¹ applies the Cynefin framework of complex systems to health provision and governance. I think they rightly identify that “most clinical specialty-level work functions predominantly in the complicated domain, whereas organisational and national system-level challenges… sit in complexity.” They go on to argue that these clinicians, used to working in the complicated domain, may not be well suited to managing these system-level complexities. What this comment ignores is the “specialty” of General Practice. As argued in my paper on the Cynefin Framework,² General Practitioners work predominantly in complexity. There is a strong argument that if we are looking for clinicians to take roles in system level governance, General Practitioners may be well suited to contribute to this challenge.
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