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Power imbalance in partnerships often creates additional tension in the relation as actors try to manage the resource differences between the parties to the exchange and attempt to maintain commitments in the face of alternatives. Within an organizational structure such as that produced under managed care in the health care delivery system, choice of provider is often limited exacerbating patient concerns with their dependence upon the available physicians.