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### **Info Junkie: Cherilyn Murer**

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**Cherilyn Murer**, founder, president and CEO of Joliet-based Murer Consultants, represents hospitals and health care systems in the U.S. and abroad. Apart from sending e-mail via BlackBerry, she delegates computer work: "The Internet can be all-consuming." Where she spends time:

For news: **Chicago Tribune**, **Financial Times**, **USA Today** and **New York Times**. At her third home in Spain (she lives in Homer Glen and owns a Gold Coast condo): **International Herald Tribune**, **Sky TV** and **BBC**.

To follow the roiling health care debate, relies on **Modern Healthcare** (Crain's sister publication), the American Hospital Assn.'s **AHA News** and **Federal Register**. "The federal option is a good thing to explore; it will motivate insurance companies to be competitive."

Reads all Bob Woodward's books, including "**The Commanders**," about George H. W. Bush and his military leaders. "We are reminded of the frailty of people who had our country in their hands."

C. David Heymann's "**Bobby and Jackie: A Love Story**," stands out for its description of Robert Kennedy's Senate campaign; but the Kennedys' "lack of respect" for Lyndon Johnson rankles: "He is the forefather of American health care delivery; we got Medicare on his watch."

"**Top Producer**" by Norb Vonnegut "is good fiction rooted in real-life (Wall Street) experiences," a la Bernie Madoff. "A bit of truth, tragedy and imagination."

Wears dresses for work, a habit from Marymount University, Va., where pants were forbidden. Scouts **Harper's Bazaar**, **Vogue** and **W**. "I shop in France and Spain."

Bedtime reading with three grandchildren: Dar Hosta's "**I Love the Night**." "The illustrations are beautiful; the text demystifies nighttime."