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only to flounder during the later growth of hospitals, significant

immigration restrictions, and the emergence of chronic diseases as endemic in American society.