

## Why diagnostic errors don't get any respect--and what can be done about them.

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This commentary discusses the challenges in measuring [diagnostic errors](#) and developing solutions for prevention. The [author](#) discusses the potential roles of [health information technology](#), improved [training](#), and increased awareness of diagnostic errors as promising approaches. This commentary is part of a [special issue](#) on medical malpractice and errors.