

Tragedy into policy: a quantitative study of nurses' attitudes toward patient advocacy activities.

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Unsafe injection practices at an endoscopy clinic in Nevada led to more than 100 patients being [infected](#) with Hepatitis C. This survey found that many Nevada nurses felt unwilling to report safety problems due to fear of retaliation—a sentiment reported by those who worked at the clinic in question. The original incident and this survey provided stimulus for the passage of subsequent whistleblower protection legislation.