

## **Unintended side effects: arbitration and the deterrence of medical error.**

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This commentary explores the role of medical malpractice arbitration as a deterrent to medical error. The author suggests that although shifting from litigation to arbitration could result in improved efficiency and accuracy regarding [medical malpractice](#) litigation, it is not proven as a strategy to deter error. The discussion draws from the experience of a [large health care system](#) to recommend modifications in the arbitration process to prevent medical error.