

Headline-grabbing study brings attention back to medical errors.

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The presence of medical errors in health care is [universally](#) recognized, but the estimated number of preventable adverse events remains controversial. Discussing a [controversial study](#) that reported more than 250,000 deaths attributable to medical error occur each year in the United States, this news article offers insights from patient safety leaders regarding the various challenges to identifying and measuring medical error.