

## **Estimating hospital-related deaths due to medical error: a perspective from patient advocates.**

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Methods utilized to estimate the [incidence](#) of medical error are inconsistent. This commentary discusses published estimates on the prevalence of preventable mortality, [concerns](#) about the studies, and the need for uniform adoption of [safety standards](#) to reduce adverse events.