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## Medical Error: Third Leading Cause of Death



Many major news outlets have recently carried a story highlighting findings that “medical error is now the third leading cause of death in the U.S.”

## Hearing on Waterbury Hospital's Proposed Sale to Prospect



Yesterday was the public hearing on the proposed sale of Waterbury Hospital to Prospect Medical Holdings, the same out-of-state, for-profit company that is proposing to purchase Eastern Connecticut Health Network (read about that March public hearing [here](#)).

## Can Connecticut Become a Leader in Controlling Health Care Costs and Improving Quality?



The Center for American Progress produced a report in April, *State Options to Control Health Care Costs and Improve Quality*. Citing examples from different states, the report lays out a laundry list of effective health system transformation efforts that states are undertaking, never mentioning Connecticut once in any of the examples.

## Yale survey finds New Haven's low-income areas feel safer, but health worries remain



Residents in the city's most underserved neighborhoods are feeling safer, but worries about food security and higher rates of asthma remain a concern, according to a Yale University survey published Saturday.

**“Medical errors — including incorrect medications, surgical mishaps, and wrong diagnoses — kill more than 250,000 Americans every year, according to a new study, making them the third-leading cause of death in the country.”**

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