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# **Did you know over 250,000 people in the U.S. die every year due to MEDICAL ERRORS?**

Johns Hopkins analyzed medical death rates in the U.S. over an eight-year period & calculated **more than 700 deaths per day were due to medical errors**. Their figure, published May 3, 2016 in *The BMJ*, translates to nearly 10% of all deaths each year in the U.S.

Dr. Marty Makary, Professor of Surgery at Johns Hopkins said the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) billing codes the U.S. adopted in 1949 under-recognized that diagnostic errors, medical mistakes, & the absence of safety nets could result in someone's death. The medical coding system was designed to maximize billing for physician services & not for patient safety. As a result, medical errors were excluded from national health statistics, therefore the CDC doesn't direct research funding to it as a public health priority like cancer & heart disease.

**Medical care in the U.S. is BIG business designed to maximize profits.**

Frequently we are told by various insurance companies that if the care at our office is for WELLNESS, they will **NOT** cover it.

**Treatment Care NOT Preventative Care is where the money is made.**

*If you didn't know about the medical error death rate, do you think if 250,000 U.S. citizens died due to errors in any other industry last year you would know about it?*