

Reducing Patient Harm for Six Million Americans Each Year



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CURRENT RESEARCH

Dr. Hardeep Singh identifies problems and solutions for the high rate of misdiagnoses errors

12 million Americans each year could be affected by misdiagnoses errors and of those misdiagnoses errors, six million could potentially cause harm. Therefore, it has become increasingly important to study when these errors occur and the ways in which we can reduce their occurrence. Dr. Hardeep Singh, of Baylor College of Medicine, is actively investigating ways to identify these errors and furthermore, ways to improve the current system. His renowned research has created a ripple in the scientific community world-wide as he has begun to implement changes that will affect each of us during our encounters with healthcare providers.


Dr. Singh was the first to provide robust population-level data on the impact of misdiagnoses errors in outpatient care settings. He has been awarded the prestigious Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, the Academy Health 2012 Alice S. Hersh New Investigator Award for high-impact research of international significance and has heavily published as well as been cited in several national policy reports due to his incredible scientific contributions. In addition, as a result of his scientific contributions, he was appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services to the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee in 2013. Therefore, his highly-regarded research has significant implications for the worldwide community and already has proven success.

Dr. Singh's research focuses on three primary goals:

- Understanding and reducing diagnostic errors: In order to reduce diagnostic errors, the medical community must first determine how to measure, detect, and identify current diagnostic errors. Dr. Singh is currently...

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AFFILIATION

 Baylor College of Medicine

EDUCATION

- M.D. in Medicine 1993, All India Institute of Medical Sciences
- Residency in Internal Medicine 1997, Baylor College of Medicine
- M.P.H. in Public Health 2004, Medical College of Wisconsin

AWARDS

- Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers, 2012
- Alice S. Hersh New Investigator Award from the Academy of Health, 2012
- K23 research career development award, 2007-2012
- Appointed by Secretary of Health and Human Services to the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Advisory Committee, 2013-2017

RESEARCH AREAS

Life Science, Oncology / Cancer, Veteran's Causes, Oncology / Cancer

FUNDING REQUEST

Your contributions will support the continued research of Dr. Hardeep Singh as he looks to identify the problems leading to misdiagnosis in health care, improve patient safety, clinical practice, and health policy, and to utilize health information technology more advantageously. Donations will help reach the necessary one million dollars in funding each year required for stipends and salaries for Dr. Singh's multidisciplinary team, costs of data collection and analysis, and conference expenses.