

Doctors are often reluctant to voice concerns in public about standards of cancer care, for fear of worrying patients. But we know that many patients are being let down by wide variations in the quality of cancer services from one hospital to the next, and between different regions and countries. This Spotlight article reports on discussion at a journalists training course conducted by ESO in conjunction with the European Broadcasting Union, about how critical journalism can help pull up standards of care.

What do you think?

- Does media criticism of the quality of cancer services risk demoralising patients?
- Is public awareness of shortcomings in care essential to drive improvements?
- Should the medical profession be more open about disparities in cancer outcomes?

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