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***ON BEING OPEN-MINDED: HEALTH CARE  
PRACTICE AND THE ART OF BEING WRONG***

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Open-mindedness—defined as the willingness to revise one's opinions, beliefs, values, commitments and so on in the light of appropriate evidence and/or argument—would seem to be a primary requirement for, and underpin, the whole edifice of evidence-based health care practice. Yet there are examples aplenty to suggest that two failures of open-mindedness (closed-mindedness and credulousness) are alive and well in 21st century health care. In this presentation I will offer a perspective on both what open-mindedness is and what it requires of individuals in pursuit of safe, competent, and ethical health care practice.

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