

Health professionals may view family-witnessed CPR negatively

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(HealthDay)—Jordanian health care professionals are against family-witnessed resuscitation in adult critical care settings, according to a study published online June 22 in the *Journal of Clinical Nursing*.

Ibrahim Bashayreh, Ph.D., from the Philadelphia University School of Nursing in Amman, Jordan, and colleagues conducted semi-structured interviews with 31 health care professionals regarding family-witnessed resuscitation in Jordanian adult critical care settings. Interviews were analyzed for common themes.

The researchers found that most [health care professionals](#) were against family-witnessed resuscitation. Concerns included being verbally and physically attacked if they allowed family-witnessed resuscitation and fear of family members interfering in their work. Most of the participants believed that family-witnessed resuscitation is traumatic for

family members.

"The study provides a unique understanding of Jordanian health professionals' perceptions regarding family-witnessed resuscitation," the authors write. "They raised some views that contest some arguments in the broader literature. Further research with patients, [family members](#), health professionals, and policy makers is still required."

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