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## How tolerating decision errors can improve early response during Covid-19

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**Friday, June 19, 2020**

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**Abstract:**

Covid-19 has exposed flaws in bureaucratic accountability systems. Piecing together what happened at three decision levels in Wuhan City, China, during the early stage of the outbreak, this study demonstrates how an accountability system that tolerates decision errors can encourage responsible risk-taking and result in timely actions during public health emergencies. We specify the design principles of an error-tolerance mechanism and governing circumstances in which these principles can work in China and other countries.