

□ Irresponsible

Irresponsible (adj.): Describes actions, publications, or decisions in medicine that **ignore foreseeable consequences, lack accountability, or fail to prioritize patient safety and clinical evidence.**

□ In Neurosurgical Context

A surgical technique, article, or recommendation is **irresponsible** when it:

- Promotes innovation **without outcome data**
- Extrapolates high-risk practices to **inappropriate settings**
- Omits discussion of **complications, alternatives, or patient selection**
- Elevates **technology over judgment**
- Fails to report **long-term consequences**

“Publishing a glowing review of minimally invasive brain metastasis surgery without addressing survival, recurrence, or quality of life is academically irresponsible.”

□ Related Concepts

- Academic negligence
- Clinical overreach
- Evidence-free enthusiasm
- Therapeutic recklessness

Antonyms: evidence-based, cautious, ethical, responsible.

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