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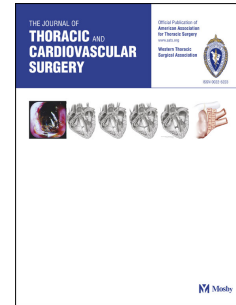
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**Central message:** Adopting from aviation a mindset acknowledging the threat to safety posed when a patient drifts into “an unintended state” broadens our thinking about managing error and preventing adverse events.

**Legend to central image:**

A mind is like a parachute – it only works when it is open

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