

Hasan Sheikh's Writing Resources

- NYT Tips for Aspiring Op-Ed Writers
- The Op-Ed Project: Tips and Tricks
- McGill Op-Ed Writing Tips
 - (includes contact information for a number of papers op-ed sections)

Dr. Sheikh's Op-Eds to Read

- **The truth behind wait times and private health care**
 - Look for the elements of storytelling and pathos
- **Corner store beer isn't about convenience, it's about public health**
 - An example of making a simple point (alcohol causes societal harms, and de-regulation will make those worse) more provocative (we have an alcohol crisis that is more dangerous than the often talked about opiate crisis)
- **We can't keep ignoring the public health crisis of alcohol dependence**
 - See back to our examples of different hooks
- **Canadians should be able to access dental care with a health card instead of a credit card**
 - An example of starting with your nut graph. This whole piece came about because of the one sentence we wanted to publish: "It's time for Canadians to start using their health card, not their credit card, to access dental care."