Press is too quick to give criticism

In reply to the article written by Ed Stanley [about press coverage of the Staten Island Developmental Center], I feel I should let him know he is not alone in his opinion. As he stated in his last paragraph, if the media and public in general were to spend one week in the Staten Island Developmental Center, they would be more understanding.

My experience with a member of my family in a mental hospital, and then again my mother in an "old age home," permitted me to see many problems that are common to many unfortunate people. Only the families involved have witnessed these happenings and certainly should not criticize them or the institutions involved on a general basis.

My thanks and sympathy to Mr. Stanley. He certainly expressed the situation very well.

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