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Abstract:

Every day medication is administered to thousands of hospital inpatients, and medication administration errors can occur. Interventions to reduce medication administration errors have been developed and tested; these include training, double-checking procedures, and technological solutions (such as smart infusion pumps and barcode-controlled drug administration). Most of the studies that investigated these interventions were small, meaning it is unclear which intervention is the most effective. More research is needed to identify the best solutions.

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