



This review discusses new research comparing rates of medical errors and adverse events collected by interviews with families or caregivers to standard methods of hospital safety surveillance” McBride (2017).

Abstract:

Identifying medical errors and adverse events (events that cause harm) is an essential part of hospital safety surveillance systems, but usually do not include input from families. This review discusses new research comparing rates of medical errors and adverse events collected by interviews with families or caregivers to standard methods of hospital safety surveillance. It concludes that, although clinicians are ultimately responsible for reporting errors and adverse events, families can help detect events that traditional surveillance methods miss and hospitals should consider incorporating family reports into routine safety surveillance systems and rigorously investigate concerns that are reported.

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