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The University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, the Infusion Nurses Society, and the American Journal of Nursing held an invitational symposium in Philadelphia on July 16-17, 2004. The goals of the symposium were to determine research priorities and to make clinical education and policy recommendations to ensure safe medication administration. The symposium, supported by a conference grant from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ 1 R13 HS14836-01) and by unrestricted grants from manufacturers of pharmaceuticals and other products designed to promote safe medication administration, was attended by 40 nursing and professional experts. This supplemental issue reports on the symposium proceedings.