

The checklist--a tool for error management and performance improvement.

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This commentary reviews the use of [checklists](#) in aviation and health care, discusses specific situations in which checklists may enhance patient safety, and provides recommendations for overcoming barriers to their use.