

Surveys on Patient Safety Culture.

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Safety culture has been described as a key to establishing high reliability organizations. The National Quality Forum's Safe Practices for Healthcare and the Leapfrog Group both mandate hospitals to regularly assess their [safety culture](#). This AHRQ Web site provides validated safety culture survey tools ([Hospital](#), [Medical Office](#), [Nursing Home](#), [Community Pharmacy](#), [Ambulatory Surgery Center](#)), user guides health care organizations can use to implement the surveys and a [bibliography](#) of articles discussing the use of SOPS in the field. Organizations can also use the AHRQ database to compare their Surveys on Patient Safety Culture™ (SOPS®) results. In addition, reports are available that summarize the benchmarking data across cohorts nationwide. An AHRQ WebM&M [perspective](#) discussed how to establish a safety culture.