

Hospital drug errors far from uncommon.

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This article reports on a non-fatal medication error that involved several neonates (including the newborn twins of actor Dennis Quaid) receiving a concentration of [heparin](#) 1000 times higher than intended. The discussion includes current hospital efforts to [prevent medication errors](#) and the growing interest in use of [bar coding technology](#). A similar error captured [headlines](#) in 2006 when it caused the deaths of three infants.