

A multifaceted approach to safety: the synergistic detection of adverse drug events in adult inpatients.

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This study discovered that voluntary [reporting](#) and computerized [surveillance](#) are both effective methods to detect [adverse drug events](#), particularly when [combined](#) as a single strategy. The authors emphasize the value of combining quantitative and qualitative data from these strategies since they generate unique learnings and provide a more comprehensive assessment of medication safety.