

A pilot study examining undesirable events among emergency department–boarded patients awaiting inpatient beds.

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Adverse events were relatively common among patients boarding in the emergency department due to lack of inpatient beds. A [prior study](#) found that communication failures were a contributing factor to errors in this situation.