

## **Prevalence of polypharmacy exposure among hospitalized children in the United States.**

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Polypharmacy (prescribing multiple, often similar medications) has been shown to be a risk factor for adverse drug events. This study used data from a national database to document a striking incidence of polypharmacy among hospitalized children.