

Emergency department discharge prescription interventions by emergency medicine pharmacists.

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Clinical pharmacists can improve medication safety in the [inpatient setting](#) and—in response to a Joint Commission [National Patient Safety Goal](#)—are increasingly being deployed to prevent medication errors in the emergency department (ED). This cohort study found that ED pharmacists intervened in 10.1% of prescriptions written for patients discharged from the ED, in order to prevent errors and to optimize medical therapy. An earlier [systematic review](#) found that ED pharmacists were able to consistently identify potential medication errors and intervene appropriately.