

A systematic approach to the identification and classification of near-miss events on labor and delivery in a large, national health care system.

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This analysis of more than 200,000 normal births found that the most common near misses ([medication errors](#) and patient identification errors) were easily preventable and had low potential for harm. In contrast, near misses involving physician responsiveness and decision-making were rare, but potentially much more harmful to patients.