

## Using AHRQ Patient Safety Indicators to detect postdischarge adverse events in the Veterans Health Administration.

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The AHRQ [Patient Safety Indicators](#) (PSIs) have traditionally been used to detect adverse events during hospitalization. However, in this study the PSIs were able to identify [adverse events after discharge](#) in patients who did not experience preventable harm while hospitalized. As readmission rates are proving to be a problematic measure of discharge safety, screening for adverse events may more reliably assess care transitions' effectiveness.