

The trigger tool as a method to measure harmful medication errors in children.

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This study compared the performance of a pediatric medication-focused [trigger tool](#) with a multifaceted method which relied on chart reviews and [voluntary incident reports](#) for detecting harmful [medication errors](#). The multifaceted approach revealed 33 harmful medication errors, whereas the trigger tool failed to pick up any of these incidents and identified only false-positive events in this sample.