

## **Could it be done safely? Pharmacists views on safety and clinical outcomes from the introduction of an advanced role for technicians.**

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This survey of pharmacists in New Zealand revealed that they believe pharmacy technicians could conduct many of the mechanical aspects of medication dispensing so that pharmacists could spend more time with [medication counseling](#), which has been shown to enhance [medication safety](#). This work adds to the literature supporting the use of teams to improve patient safety.