

## **Polypharmacy in the elderly--when good drugs lead to bad outcomes: a teachable moment.**

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Geriatric patients are particularly [vulnerable](#) to adverse drug events due to comorbidities, complicated care plans, and [polypharmacy](#). This commentary describes how using [STOPP criteria](#) and performing [indication mapping](#) can help reduce [polypharmacy](#) and improve patient safety.