

Realizing e-prescribing's potential to reduce outpatient psychiatric medication errors.

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Electronic prescribing is associated with improvements in medication safety, but it can also introduce [problems](#) unique to information technology use. This commentary discusses this issue in the context of [reducing errors](#) in outpatient psychiatry medication administration. The authors recommend increasing e-prescribing implementation, enhancing [usability](#), and improving interoperability between hospital and retail pharmacy systems to achieve progress.