

Anesthesia medication handling needs a new vision.

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Anesthesiology has been a <u>leader</u> in adopting <u>safety improvements</u>, such as <u>human factors</u> engineering and critical incident analysis. This commentary suggests that anesthesiology focus on enhancing safety of high-alert intravenous medication use. The authors argue that the current focus on <u>individual practice</u> vigilance be expanded to include an emphasis on systems design to reduce <u>medication errors</u>.