

Factors influencing the reporting of adverse medical device events: qualitative interviews with physicians about higher risk implantable devices.

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Regulatory agencies rely on physician reports of adverse events associated with [medical devices](#) in order to identify safety concerns. This qualitative interview study found that most physicians who implant devices do not regularly report adverse events related to particular devices. The authors recommend that [postmarketing surveillance](#) of medical devices be redesigned to foster detection of adverse events.