

## **Standardising the classification of harm associated with medication errors: the Harm Associated with Medication Error Classification (HAMEC).**

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Consistent [measures](#) and terminology of care-related patient harm are still needed in health care. This commentary reviews inconsistencies in the nomenclature used in studies of harm as well as limitations of existing harm classification tools. The authors propose a tool that provides a process for developing a standard [classification](#) score to record [medication-related patient harm](#).