

## **The courage to speak out: a study describing nurses' attitudes to report unsafe practices in patient care.**

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[Speaking up](#) about safety hazards is a critical component of strong [safety culture](#). Although most of the nurses in this convenience sample reported speaking up about safety issues, nearly 10% did not do so because they feared retaliation. A recent [WebM&M commentary](#) described how leaders can encourage and reward speaking up.