

Faced with a drug shortfall, doctors scramble to treat children with cancer.

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[Drug shortages](#) create potential complexities in drug therapy that can result in unsafe medication use. This story examines a vincristine shortage affecting pediatric patients. Systemic factors contributing to the problem discussed include medications produced by a single supplier and workarounds when supplies are threatened.