

What are we doing when we double check?

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Double checking is one strategy for detecting and preventing medication errors; however, its [effectiveness is unclear](#). This editorial presents a framework intended to further research and clinical practice by defining and classifying checking procedures and differentiating them from other medication-related safety behaviors.