

Reducing the risk of diagnostic error in the COVID-19 era.

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The authors present a nomenclature to describe eight types of diagnostic errors anticipated in the COVID-19 pandemic (classic, anomalous, anchor, secondary, acute collateral, chronic collateral, strain and unintended diagnostic errors) and highlight mitigation strategies to reduce potentially preventable harm, including the use of [electronic decision support](#), communication tactics such as visual aids, and huddles. Organizational strategies (e.g., [peer-support](#), [duty hour limits](#), and forums for transparent communication) and state/federal guidance around testing and monitoring diagnostic performance are also discussed.