

## Failure to rescue deteriorating patients: a systematic review of root causes and improvement strategies.

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This systematic review identified three critical points that can [contribute](#) to “[failure to rescue](#)” among inpatients with serious complications – (1) failure to recognize the complications; (2) failure to relay information regarding the complications to the care team, and; (3) failure to react in a timely and appropriate manner to the patient’s deterioration. Effective tools and interventions which can be implemented during each timepoint are discussed, including increased [nurse staffing](#), [rapid response teams](#), checklists, and early warning score systems.