

## **Accuracy and safety of medication histories obtained at the time of intensive care unit admission of delirious or mechanically ventilated patients.**

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When patients are admitted to the intensive care unit, medication [histories](#) can be obtained from alternate sources. In this study, [admission](#) medication histories were obtained from family members or outpatient pharmacies, then [compared](#) with the history given by the patient once their delirium resolved or they were extubated. The most common type of discrepancy from both alternate sources was addition, followed by omission. Histories obtained from families had slightly fewer discrepancies, and most discrepancies were of low risk of harm.