

## Adverse patient safety events during the COVID epidemic.

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The COVID-19 pandemic [dramatically](#) changed healthcare delivery and exacerbated threats to patient safety. Using Veterans Health Administration (VHA) National Center for Patient Safety data, this retrospective study characterized patient safety events related to COVID-19 occurring between March 2020 and February 2021. Delays in care and [exposure](#) to COVID-19 were the most common events and confusion over procedures, [missed care](#), and failure to identify COVID-positive patients before exposures were the most common contributing factors.