

## Caregiver and clinician perspectives on discharge medication counseling: a qualitative study.

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Accurate dosing and administration of liquid medications to children can be [difficult](#) for parents or caregivers. In this study, family caregivers and clinicians described their experiences at hospital discharge relating to both general and liquid-specific medication counseling. Clinicians and caregivers both stated that [teach-back](#) protocols were helpful but inconsistently used. Caregivers were not always shown how to draw up liquid into the syringes leading to them feeling uncertain about giving the correct dose. Health literacy and speaking languages other than [English](#) were also described as challenges.