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[Safety science](#) provides a conceptual base for work to reduce system errors resulting in patient harm. This publication provides a history of safety science development and summarizes topics such as [resilience engineering, high-reliability organizations](#), and the [Swiss cheese model](#) as approaches to manage safety in complex situations.