

# What's New in the Patient Safety World

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## ECRI Top 10 Patient Safety Concerns 2025

ECRI has published its annual Top 10 Patient Safety Concerns for 2025 ([ECRI 2025](#)). The list is heavily weighted toward information technology issues (artificial intelligence, spread of misinformation, cybersecurity breaches). The full list:

1. Risks of Dismissing Patient, Family, and Caregiver Concerns
2. Insufficient Governance of Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare
3. The Wide Availability and Viral Spread of Medical Misinformation: Empowering Patients through Health Literacy
4. Medical Error and Delay in Care Resulting from Cybersecurity Breaches
5. Unique Healthcare Challenges in Caring for Veterans
6. The Growing Threat of Substandard and Falsified Drugs
7. Diagnostic Error: The Big Three—Cancers, Major Vascular Events, and Infections
8. Persistence of Healthcare-Associated Infections in Long-Term Care Facilities
9. Inadequate Communication and Coordination during Discharge
10. Deteriorating Community Pharmacy Working Conditions Contribute to Medication Errors and Compromise Patient and Staff Safety

As usual, the document is loaded with recommendations, resources, and references.

### References:

ECRI. Top 10 Patient Safety Concerns 2025. ECRI March 2025  
<https://home.ecri.org/blogs/ecri-thought-leadership-resources/top-10-patient-safety-concerns-2025>



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