

# Acute Event Reporting Examples

*This resource provides examples of reportable patient safety issues but is not considered an all-inclusive list.*

## BLOOD OR BLOOD PRODUCT

No consent for transfusion documented (non-emergent)	Incorrect blood product ordered or administered	No dual sign-off prior to blood product administration	Incorrect patient received blood product
Incorrect blood product administration related to timing, rate, or volume	Expired or unacceptably stored blood products	Transfusion reactions	

## DEVICE OR MEDICAL/SURGICAL SUPPLY

Broken or malfunctioning medical or surgical equipment or device	Incorrect use of medical or surgical device/supply	Expired medical or surgical supplies (including implants)	Health information technology (HIT) device issues (automated dispensing systems, EHR, laboratory information systems, radiology systems)
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## FALL

Falls attributed to environmental considerations (slips/trips)	Falls attributable to physiological factors (fainting, hypotension, gait instability)	Suspected intentional falls (attention-seeking or drug-seeking)	Any unintended, uncontrolled, downward displacement of a patient's body to the ground or other object (bed, chair, etc.), including assisted or unassisted falls
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## HEALTHCARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTION

Catheter-associated UTI (CAUTI) following urinary catheterization	Central line-associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI)	Surgical site infection (SSI)	Ventilator-associated pneumonia (VAP)
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## MEDICATION

Incorrect drug or vaccine prescribed or administered	Incorrect dose prescribed or administered (including missed/omitted doses)	Incorrect route of administration (including patient self-administration)	Incorrect duration or course of medication therapy
Expired drug or vaccine in-stock or administered	Incorrect drug storage	Adverse drug reactions	Incorrect patient received medication

## OTHER

Delays in treatment	Failure to follow policy/procedure	Communication issues	Patient leaving without being seen or AMA
Code/Emergency	IV infiltration	Transition of care issues (admission, department or facility transfer, discharge)	Patient behavioral issues, including assaults on nursing personnel

## PERINATAL

Any event involving a Mother, Fetus, or Neonate occurring during the perinatal period (including 28 days postpartum)	Incidents involving intrauterine procedures (affecting mother and/or fetus)	Maternal adverse outcomes (hemorrhage, eclampsia, infection, death)	Maternal injury to a body part or organ (lacerations, uterine rupture, bladder, bowel)
Neonate adverse outcomes (birth trauma or injury, Apgar < 7 and weight > 2500g, infection, unexpected death)	Neonate birth/trauma injuries (shoulder dystocia, brachial plexus)	Neonatal distress, resuscitation or transfer to higher level of care	

## PRESSURE ULCER

Pressure Ulcer not present on admission	Deep Tissue Injury (DTI) not present on admission	Pressure Ulcer or Deep Tissue Injury that worsened during the patient's stay	
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## SPECIMEN

No order submitted	Specimen obtained on incorrect patient	Mislabeled specimen container	Failed to transport/store specimen in timely manner
Incorrect collection technique	Lab testing equipment issue	Results posted to wrong patient record	Failure to report critical results

## SURGERY OR ANESTHESIA

No procedure consent documented	Incorrect procedure performed	Incorrect procedure site	Procedure performed on wrong patient
Break in sterile technique	Major complication following surgery/anesthesia	Retained surgical objects (sponge, needle, instrument, etc.)	Patient injury while under anesthesia (dental, ocular, peripheral nerve injuries)