

# Review of: "[Perspective] The study of Safety of Inpatient Health Care needs to include adverse event rates from venous and urinary catheters"

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This brief essay highlights the importance of auditing urethral catheter complications. These are historically not well coded by healthcare systems beyond catheter-associated urinary tract infection (CAUTI). It is impossible to fix the problem of urethral catheter complications when the full spectrum of the problem is not easily visible in hospital data.