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# Article of the Month

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## **Quality improvement priorities for safer out-of-hours palliative care: Lessons from a mixed-methods analysis of a national incident-reporting database**

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Patients receiving palliative care are often at increased risk of unsafe care with the out-of-hours setting presenting particular challenges. The identification of improved ways of delivering palliative care outside working hours is a priority area for policymakers.

This study evaluates patient safety incident reports to explore the quality of palliative care from primary-care services outside normal working hours

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