

Sliding scale insulin order sheet cuts medication errors

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sheet reduced the incidence of medication errors related to SSI," the authors write.

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(HealthDay)—A standardized sliding scale insulin (SSI) order sheet can reduce the incidence of SSI-related medication errors, according to a study published online Dec. 7 in the *Journal of Evaluation in Clinical Practice*.

Saki Harada, from Gifu University Hospital in Japan, and colleagues prepared an SSI order sheet and examined the effect of its introduction. They obtained data on the incidence of [medication errors](#), hyperglycemia, and hypoglycemia related to SSI from [electronic medical records](#).

The researchers found that introduction of the standardized SSI order sheet correlated with a significant reduction in the incidence of SSI-related medication errors compared with before its introduction (7.3 versus 2.1 percent; $P = 0.048$). There was no difference seen between the groups in the incidence of hyperglycemia or hypoglycemia among those receiving SSI.

"The introduction of the standardized SSI order

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