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American Society of Health-System Pharmacists	www.ashp.org
Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)	www.ihi.org
Institute for Safe Medication Practices	www.ismp.org
National Patient Safety Foundation	www.npsf.org
Pathways for Medication Safety	www.medpathways.info
QualityHealthCare.org	www.QualityHealthCare.org
US Pharmacopeia (CAPS, MedMarx)	www.usp.org
VA National Center for Patient Safety	www.patientsafety.org

The following topic-specific reference lists are also available on request:

Improving the Accuracy of the Medication Intake History
Role for Pharmacy
Practical Approaches to Implementing System Changes
Developing a Culture Safety
Projecting Implementation Costs and Benefits
Medication Cards for Patients
Risk Assessment, Root Cause Analysis
Failure Mode and Effects Analysis