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Dear Editors of Pharmacy Practice,

I would like to submit the following article, The Need for Specialized Clinical HIV Services in an Inpatient Setting, for publication to your journal.

Unfortunately, errors with antiretrovirals (ARVs) and opportunistic infection (OI) medications within an inpatient setting have been frequently reported. The purpose of this retrospective, observational, chart review was to determine the causes and occurrence of inpatient ARV and OI medication errors at our institution. Furthermore, other outcomes included assessing each medication with an error and evaluating its potential for a medication error, calculating a medication error rate per patient, evaluating whether a non-formulary (NF) medication impacted the error potential, determining whether a clinical pharmacist on service decreased the medication error rate, and assessing whether patients who experienced an error were more likely to have a longer length of stay (LOS).

None of the authors have any potential conflict of interest to report.

I will be serving as the corresponding author for this submission. My contact information can be seen above. Thank you again for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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