HIERARCHYOF **EFFECTIVENESS**

Low Leverage

LEAST EFFECTIVE

Rules and policies (e.g., policies to prohibit borrowing doses from other areas)

Education and information (e.g., education sessions on

high-alert medications)

Medium Leverage

MODERATELY EFFECTIVE

Simplification and standardization

(e.g., standardized paper or electronic order sets)

Reminders, checklists, double checks (e.g., independent double checks for high-alert medications)

High Leverage MOST EFFECTIVE

Forcing functions and constraints (e.g., removal of a product from use)

Automation or computerization

(e.g., automated patientspecific dispensing)



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