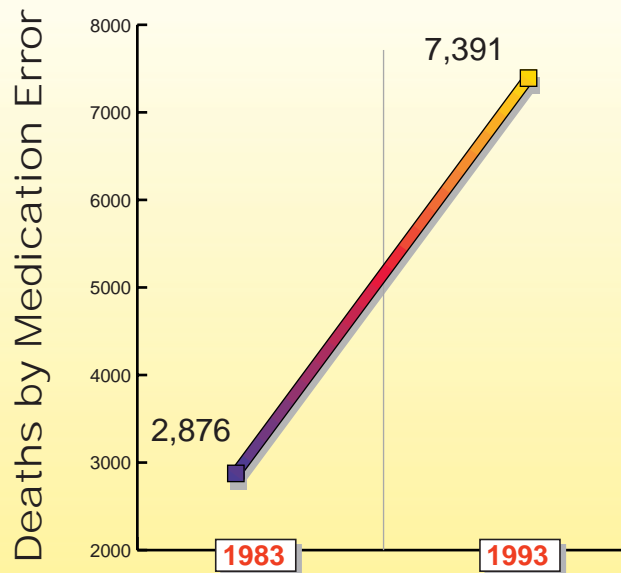


## Medication-Error Deaths Rising

Each year, thousands of people in the U.S. die from medication errors. That number is sharply on the rise.



In 1993, one out of every 131 outpatient deaths were from medication errors. Patients must understand and be warned of the dangers of prescription drugs.

SOURCE: Phillips DP, Chirstenfeld N, Glynn LM. Increase in US medication-error deaths between 1983 and 1993. *Lancet* (1998)