

Table 4 Medication administration errors in different departments of hospitals with different drug dispensing systems (DDS)

| Hospital (DDS system) | No. of observations | Mean (SD) no. of errors per patient | t-value | P-value |
|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| <i>All types</i> | | | 2.127 | 0.038 |
| Al-Shifa (ward-stock) | 600 | 1.8 (1.3) | | |
| European Gaza (unit-dose) | 496 | 0.9 (0.6) | | |
| <i>Wrong drug</i> | | | -0.64 | 0.524 |
| Al-Shifa (ward-stock) | 1 | 0.03 (0.2) | | |
| European Gaza (unit-dose) | 2 | 0.07 (0.3) | | |
| <i>Wrong dose</i> | | | 1.43 | 0.158 |
| Al-Shifa (ward-stock) | 9 | 0.3 (0.5) | | |
| European Gaza (unit-dose) | 4 | 0.1 (0.4) | | |
| <i>Wrong time</i> | | | 1.82 | 0.073 |
| Al-Shifa (ward-stock) | 48 | 1.5 (2.2) | | |
| European Gaza (unit-dose) | 22 | 0.7 (0.7) | | |

SD - standard deviation.