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Myocarditis and Pericarditis After Vaccination for COVID-19

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Rare cases of cardiac inflammation following SARS-CoV-2 vaccination have been reported.¹⁻⁴ We reviewed the clinical records of vaccine recipients to identify cases of postvaccination myocarditis or pericarditis.

Methods

Forty hospitals in Washington, Oregon, Montana, and Los Angeles County, California, that were part of the Providence health care system and used the same electronic medical record (EMR) were included. All patients with documented COVID-19 vaccinations administered inside the system or recorded in state registries at any time through May 25, 2021, were identified. Vaccinated patients who subsequently had emergency department or in-

patient encounters with diagnoses of myocarditi
ascertained from EMRs (see eTables 1 and 2 in th

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