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May Statewide Conference in Sacramento Will Focus on Eliminating Serious Surgical Safety Events

Hear from the California Department of Public Health, the Institute for Population Health Improvement, and the Hospital Quality Institute at an exclusive conference, May 14-15 in Sacramento, Eliminating Serious Patient Safety Events in Surgical and Procedural Areas: A Statewide Conference and Call to Action for California Hospitals.

Conference goals include identifying strategies to implement systemic change and prevent serious, reportable adverse events in surgical and procedural areas; discussing what has been learned through mandatory adverse event reporting; and evaluating opportunities to improve the reporting system so that it better aligns with hospitals' patient safety improvement efforts.

Target audience includes surgical service directors, chief nursing officers, executive-level hospital administrators, clinicians and administrators working in surgical and other procedural areas (including obstetrics/gynecology, cardiac catheterization labs, and other non-operating room settings); and patient safety/quality improvement professionals.

Registration is free, but space is limited. Please visit http://www.ucdmc.ucdavis.edu/iphi/events/ index.html for more information.

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Space Filling Up for HDMT May 5-6 in Los Angeles

Register now for *Hospital Disaster Management Training*, an in-depth two-day session that is a product of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services Emergency Medical Services Agency's Disaster Resource Center Program. HASC provides administrative program support.

At the event May 5-6 in Los Angeles, participants will learn how to move beyond awareness and focus on operational strategies. At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

Identify triage priorities in disaster patients.

- Perform a role in the hospital command center and emergency department during disaster drill.
- Describe the health care facility's role in a disaster.

The online brochure and registration form is available at http://www.hasc.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/hdmt_brochure_2015.pdf. Register online at https://www.signup4.net/Public/ap.aspx?EID=HDMT17E.

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Early Bird Registration Rate for Wellness Conference Ends April 24

Mark your calendar for the 5th Annual Health Care Provider Wellness Conference, June 11-12 at Renaissance Long Beach Hotel.

Early bird registration rates apply now through April 24. This year, a two-day wellness certification program is being offered prior to the conference (June 9-10, also at the Renaissance Long Beach Hotel). The program is developed by WellCert and will provide certification as a Certified Wellness Program Coordinator Level 1.

Bundled packages are available for both events; register online at https://www.signup4.net/Public/ap.aspx?
EID=2015771E.

This year's keynote speaker, Larry S. Chapman, MPH, President and CEO of the Chapman Institute, will present Well-Being Strategies for Caregivers: The Organizational Imperative for Wellness.

Among the engaging sessions planned for this conference:

- Fat Chance: The Hidden Truth about Sugar
- Inspirational/Success Story: MemorialCare's The Good Life Program
- Legal Update
- Generational Wellness: Engaging the Most Diverse Workforce in History



- Reducing Stress: Tools and Techniques
- Building Culture of Health
- Toward Whole Well-Being: Time to Integrate Behavioral and Wellness Services
- Panel Discussion: Wellness Incentive Approaches
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Learn About Developing, Measuring and Documenting Employee Competence at May 13 Program

Stay on target with Joint Commission competency requirements for meeting patients' needs.

An intensive one-day workshop on Wednesday, May 13, presented by HASC, provides in-depth explanations of the Joint Commission competency assessment standards, detailed examples of compliance, and opportunities for managers to develop and redesign the content of their department competency tools.

Participants will:

- Define the components of the competency assessment and measurement process.
- Compare competency skills against the essential duties of a job description.
- Differentiate between competency and a job-specific duty.

- Develop the high-risk, low-volume, or problem-prone competencies for each job description.
- Implement measurement and documentation tools that will meet the Joint Commission requirements.

The event takes place at Moseley-Salvatori Conference Center, Good Samaritan Hospital.

Register online at https://www.signup4.net/public/ap.aspx?

EID=2015712E&TID=pVn3p63VngQcu42UZisPzw%3d%3d. For more information, go to http://www.hasc.org/sites/main/files/file-attachments/

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