The Department of Defense (DoD) Patient Safety Program eBulletin delivers patient safety updates, news, useful tips and resources to help you deliver the highest quality of care to your patients. This month, read about our Patient Safety Awareness Week (PSAW) celebrations around the world, real world implications of the Patient Safety Professional Course (PSPC), the Military Health System (MHS) Culture Survey, and other resources and upcoming events.

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- In April, the DoD’s theme is “Military Children's Health.” [Learn more about this theme>>](#)
- April is also designated as “Limb Loss Awareness” month by the MHS.
- Are you new to Patient Safety Management? Check out the Patient Safety Professional (PS Prof) Course, which is a five-day interactive curriculum designed for new patient safety managers. It provides an overview of the standards, practices and resources that are integral to working as a patient safety professional. The next class will occur 1-5 April 2019. See our [Calendar of Events](#) for more details!
- National Healthcare Decisions Day is 16 April. This day is used to inspire and provide knowledge to the public and providers about the significance of advance care planning. [Learn More](#).
- Medical Lab Professionals Week is 21-27 April. This week-long event highlights the understanding and gratitude for clinical laboratory professionals. [Learn More](#).
• Want to see when the next TeamSTEPPS webinars are? Look on our Calendar of Events for the next opportunity to learn about this teamwork system designed to improve the standard, safety and proficiency of healthcare.
• Do you have questions about the Continuing Education process? We can help! E-mail us for assistance.
• Do you have an update from your facility? We’re always looking for good news stories and would love to hear from you! If you would like to share an update, please contact us via e-mail or Facebook and one of our team members will contact you.
• Want to keep up with the latest Military Health Systems news? Click here to subscribe and follow us on Facebook to stay tuned for more information.
• The next eBulletin will publish in May 2019.

Feature: Patient Safety Awareness Week 2019 around the DoD

Military Treatment facilities worldwide agreed that “We All Play a Role in Healthcare Safety” in a variety of ways during Patient Safety Awareness Week. Feature: Patient Safety Awareness Week 2019 around the DoD.

Patient Safety in Action: Patient Safety Professional (PS Prof) Course

The Patient Safety Professional Course, which runs quarterly, has upcoming sessions from 1-5 April and 3-7 June 2019. Patient Safety in Action: Patient Safety Professional (PS Prof) Course

HRO Corner: MHS Patient Safety Culture Survey

The Patient Safety Culture Survey will be launched in April 2019, according to its triennial schedule. HRO Corner: MHS Patient Safety Culture Survey

DoD PSP Treasure Chest: April Edition

Welcome to the April edition of the DoD PSP Treasure Chest!
Each issue, we share resources to help you execute your day-to-day patient safety activities easily and effectively. Please visit us often and get access to tools and information developed for our committed MHS patient safety champions!

Read more.

MHS Patient Safety Data Snapshot

The MHS Patient Safety Data Snapshot is a monthly compilation of two types of patient safety data:
1) Sentinel Event (SE) notifications, now referred to as DoD Reportable Events (RE) submitted to PSAC
2) Anonymous, voluntarily-reported patient safety events via JPSR

This publication provides an MHS enterprise-level snapshot of trends in REs and JPSR events so that providers and healthcare administrators can learn from others across the system, as well as help identify areas for patient safety improvement in their facility and throughout the MHS.

Visit the Patient Safety Analysis Center to access the latest MHS Patient Safety Data Snapshot, available on the 15th of every month.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Patient Safety Learning Circles:
In-person or web-based forums focused on a specific topic

TeamSTEPPS® Webinar – American Hospital Association (AHA)

Please check our Calendar of Events for updates on this webinar.

The Joint Commission

The Joint Commission is a not-for-profit organization that accredits and certifies healthcare organizations and programs in the United States. There are multiple opportunities to attend webinars offered by them. Please check their Calendar of Events for a current schedule.
PATIENT SAFETY LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting-ECRI Institute

Apr. 3-5, 2019

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Horvath Discusses Collaboration at the AORN Global Surgical Conference and Expo-ECRI Institute

Apr. 9, 2019

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Certified Professional in Patient Safety (CPPS) Review Course – Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

Apr. 9-10, 2019

Apr. 25, 2019 from 10-5 PM ET (live webinar)

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Sustain Improvements with Visual Management Webcast—Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

Apr. 9, 2019 from 1:30-2:30 PM ET

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The Journey toward Population Health & Health Equity Virtual Expedition—Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

Apr. 10, 2019

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2019 IHI Summit on Improving Patient Care (San Francisco, CA) – Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

Apr. 11-13, 2019

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Healthcare Environmental Manager Training and Certification (HEM)-ECRI Institute

Apr. 29-May 3, 2019

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ECRI Experts Cover Instrumental and Equipment Contamination at the International Association of Healthcare Central Service Materiel Management (IAHCSMM) Annual Conference -ECRI Institute

Apr. 30, 2019

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