Maryland Patient Safety Center Names
Winners of Patient Safety Innovation Awards for 2019

Atlantic General Hospital and Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Center and Specialty Hospital
Take Home Top Honors

Elkridge, MD – February 11, 2019 - The Maryland Patient Safety Center recently announced that Atlantic General Hospital has been named the recipient of the 2019 Minogue Award for Patient Safety Innovation. The award-winning program was entitled *Decreasing Hospital-Acquired C-Diff Infections while Implementing the Early Discharge of Patients.* Levindale Hebrew Geriatric Center and Specialty Hospital has been named the recipient of the Distinguished Achievement in Patient Safety Innovation Award for its program entitled *Leading the Patient Safety Charge – Keeping Our Patients Wound Free.*

Eight other hospitals were named Circle of Honor winners.

The winners were selected by a panel of independent judges who are leaders in the Maryland healthcare community. The two top awards will be presented at the 15th Annual Maryland Patient Safety Conference on April 5, 2019 at the Hilton Baltimore. All winners, including the Circle of Honor for Patient Safety Innovation recipients, which honor and recognize other top solutions in healthcare, will be recognized at a reception at The Engineers Club the evening of April 4th.

"Timely and innovative solutions like the ones we are recognizing demonstrate proactiveness and address the constantly evolving healthcare landscape facing practitioners in Maryland and beyond," said Robert Imhoff, President & CEO of the Maryland Patient Safety Center. "We congratulate our winners, who through their strategic thinking and continuous efforts have advanced the cause of improving patient safety and making healthcare in Maryland the safest in the nation."

Named for the Center's first President and Executive Director, William Minogue, MD, FACP, to honor his enduring contributions to and passion for improving patient care and safety, The Minogue Award was created by the Center Board of Directors to recognize an organization within the state that has made a demonstrable difference in patient safety through an innovative solution.

Eight other submissions will receive Circle of Honor awards:

1. Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center: *Decreasing Percentage of Postponed Discharges*

2. Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center: *Enhanced Recovery after Colorectal Surgery*

3. Johns Hopkins Medicine: *Utilizing Information Technology to Prevent Venous Thromboembolism*

4. MedStar Health: *Signaling Sepsis: Sepsis Collaborative Leverages Dissemination Efforts to Patients and Providers*

5. Northwest Hospital- LifeBridge Health: *Climbing the Ranks: How the Implementation of the NWH Survival Committee Led to Improved Survival Rates*

6. Sinai Hospital of Baltimore – LifeBridge Health: *Implementing a Predictive Analytics Tool to Reduce Mortality*

7. University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center: *Centering Parenting: It Takes a Village*

8. University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center: *Using the American College of Surgeons' Sponsored Improving Surgical Care and Recovery Program*

About The Maryland Patient Safety Center
The Maryland Patient Safety Center brings together hospitals and providers to improve patient safety and healthcare quality for all Marylanders. The goal of the Center is to make healthcare in Maryland the safest in the nation by focusing on the systems of care, reducing the occurrence of adverse events and improving the culture of patient safety at Maryland healthcare facilities. For more information, visit www.marylandpatientsafetycenter.org.

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