



## **Maryland Patient Safety Center Names Winners of Patient Safety Innovation Awards for 2020**

***University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center and Greater Baltimore Medical Center  
Take Home Top Honors***

**Elkridge, MD – December 23, 2019** - The Maryland Patient Safety Center recently announced that University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center has been named the recipient of the 2020 Minogue Award for Patient Safety Innovation. The award-winning program was entitled *Implementation of a Critical Care Outreach Program*. Greater Baltimore Medical Center has been named the recipient of the Distinguished Achievement in Patient Safety Innovation Award for its program entitled *Ensuring One Insulin Pen for One Patient*.

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 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Maryland Patient Safety Conference on March 27, 2020 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 Baltimore Hilton the evening of March 26<sup>th</sup>.

“With over 70 submissions to choose from, we know that healthcare organizations here in Maryland are some of the most forward thinking throughout the country,” said Barbara Epke., Interim President and CEO of the Maryland Patient Safety Center. “We are proud to recognize all participants for their attention, innovation, and commitment to addressing some of the most pertinent and complex issues penetrating patient safety today. Congratulations to the winners on their successful contributions to our mission of 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 (in alphabetical order) will receive Circle of Honor awards:

1. Adventist HealthCare Ft. Washington Medical Center: *Adopt-A-Room to Improve Patient Experience and Promote Teamwork*
2. Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center: *Reducing Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Readmission Rate*
3. Bay Area Transformation Partnership- Anne Arundel Medical Center and U of MD Baltimore Washington Medical Center: *Shared Care Alerts: Reducing Avoidable Utilization and Improving Care Coordination and Outcomes Across the Continuum of Care*

4. Meritus Medical Center: *Lean Daily Management through Leadership Rounds*
5. Meritus Medical Center: *Mothers as Medicine: An Innovative Approach to Care for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome*
6. Sinai Hospital of Baltimore- LifeBridge Health: *Measles Met its Match in Baltimore: How Sinai Hospital and Public Health Officials Partnered to Prevent an Outbreak*
7. University of Maryland Medical Center: *Implementation of a Mobility Technician Program at University of Maryland Medical Center*
8. University of Maryland Upper Chesapeake Medical Center: *Rethinking Nuclear Medicine Workflows*

**About The Maryland Patient Safety Center**

The Maryland Patient Safety Center brings together healthcare organizations 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](http://www.marylandpatientsafetycenter.org).

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