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Maryland Patient Safety Center Names Stephanie Peditto, MHS as New President and CEO

Elkridge, MD – October 23, 2023 - The Maryland Patient Safety Center (MPSC), the state’s designated center for patient safety, is proud to announce the appointment of Stephanie Peditto as President and CEO.



Stephanie Peditto, MHS

Stephanie has worked nationally and internationally in patient safety and quality for most of her career. She brings a deep appreciation for the challenges facing Maryland’s healthcare organizations and frontline clinical staff to her new role with the Maryland Patient Safety Center. In addition, she has a strong track record of success in building new programs and services, an understanding of member organizations, and experience in policy and advocacy to support members’ goals.

Stephanie was named President and CEO by the MPSC’s Board of Directors following a nationwide search led by Board Vice Chair, Barbara Epke.

“The Maryland Patient Safety Center is making an impact on the safety and quality of healthcare delivery throughout Maryland, the region, and on a national and international level. It is only fitting that we welcome a leader, like Stephanie, with knowledge of - and experience in - Maryland and beyond,” said Dr. Rollin J. (Terry) Fairbanks, MPSC Board Chair. “We are excited for Stephanie to work with our dedicated team of MPSC staff, our members, and other leaders across the state to help shape the future of patient safety and quality care.”

Most recently Stephanie served as Senior Director of Quality and Scientific Regulatory Affairs at the College of American Pathologists (CAP). In this member-based organization, she built an expanded advocacy agenda and increased the organization’s presence at the federal level around emerging topics, such as the impact of digital health and artificial intelligence, and pandemic preparedness and response.

In addition, she oversaw and grew the CAP's clinical data registry and quality improvement efforts; and created new programmatic and revenue opportunities around diagnostic excellence, patient engagement and health equity via grants from the Moore Foundation and Council of Medical Specialty Societies. Prior to her leadership position with CAP, Stephanie was Chief Science, Quality and Practice Officer at the American Academy of Dermatology.

Stephanie also worked for more than two decades as part of the team at Johns Hopkins Medicine, where she developed a deep understanding of hospital operations and implementation of large-scale initiatives. While working for the Johns Hopkins Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality, Stephanie led national and international collaborations to build capacity, infrastructure, and tools to end preventable harm, improve patient outcomes and experience, and eliminate waste in healthcare. Prior to that Stephanie served as Director of Innovation and Director of Inpatient Services at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. Stephanie also has been part of the faculty of the Johns Hopkins University Carey Business School in their business of medicine programs, teaching Healthcare Delivery, Clinical Practice Improvement, and Organizational Behavior in Healthcare.

Stephanie will succeed Blair Eig, MD, MBA who served as President and CEO for the Maryland Patient Safety Center for three and a half years following his retirement from a 19-year long career as Chief Medical Officer at Holy Cross Hospital in Maryland. Under Dr. Eig's leadership, the Maryland Patient Safety Center saw remarkable success and growth, from building a dedicated and distinguished Board of Directors, to collaboration with Maryland State agencies, hospitals and other healthcare delivery sites, all striving toward a safer healthcare environment in Maryland.

The Maryland Patient Safety Center staff and Board of Directors would like to thank Dr. Eig for his servant leadership and welcome Stephanie into her new role.

About the Maryland Patient Safety Center

The Maryland Patient Safety Center brings together hospitals and healthcare providers to improve patient safety and health care quality for all Marylanders. The mission of the Patient Safety Center is keeping Maryland healthcare safe by focusing on the systems of care, reducing the occurrence of adverse events, and improving the culture of patient safety with organizations throughout the healthcare continuum. For more information, visit <https://marylandpatientsafety.org/>.