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Maryland Patient Safety Center Announces Patient Safety Innovation Awards Winners for 2024

Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center Takes Home the Top Honor

Elkridge, MD – February 8, 2024 - The Maryland Patient Safety Center recently announced that Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center has been named the recipient of the **2024 Minogue Award for Patient Safety Innovation**. The winning project is titled “Impact of Breastmilk and Donor Breastmilk Exclusivity on Improved Quality Measures and Outcomes in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.”

The runner-up, MedStar Health, has been honored with the ***Distinguished Achievement for Patient Safety Innovation Award*** for their project, “*Preventing Hospital-Acquired Venous Thrombosis Embolism in Acute Care Hospitals.*”

Named for the Maryland Patient Safety Center (MPSC)’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 MPSC Board of Directors to recognize an organization within the state that has made a demonstrable difference in patient safety through an innovative solution.

This year, MPSC received over 50 submissions for this prestigious award and the winners were selected by a panel of independent judges who are leaders in the Maryland healthcare community. As in years past, the top two award winners will present their projects at the **20th Annual Patient Safety Conference, Patient Safety Playbook: Strategies to strengthen your safety culture and build a team of champions**, on April 26, 2024 at the Baltimore Hilton. All winners, including the Circle of Honor for Patient Safety Innovation recipients, will be recognized at a special reception the evening before the

conference; and all submitting teams are provided an opportunity to present their project posters at the conference.

“Patient safety is a state and national priority, especially with all the challenges facing our healthcare workforce. The submissions for this award demonstrate a commitment to patient safety by our Maryland hospitals and their dedicated staff,” said Stephanie Peditto, President and CEO of the Maryland Patient Safety Center. “We were thrilled to receive so many submissions demonstrating innovative thinking, impressive outcomes, and remarkable dedication to patient care; and we are even more excited about the shared learning to come.”

Nine other hospitals (listed alphabetically) were named Circle of Honor winners, an award recognizing other top safety and quality solutions in healthcare throughout our region:

Greater Baltimore Medical Center

Innovating Patient Safety: Leveraging Technology to Decrease the Incidence of Pulmonary Embolisms & Deep Vein Thrombosis

Greater Baltimore Medical Center

Using the Lean Management System to Improve Recognition of and Response to Postpartum Hemorrhage

LifeBridge Health Carroll Hospital Center

Implementing a Collaborative Initiative to Improve the Quality of Care for Maternal Patients Presenting to The Emergency Department

Lifebridge Health Northwest Hospital & Sinai Hospital

Hands-on Quality Improvement with No Room for Hiccups

LifeBridge Health Sinai Hospital

An evidence-based approach for Hospital-Acquired Pressure Injury (HAPI) Reduction in the Emergency Department

LifeBridge Health Sinai Hospital

Interdisciplinary Collaboration to Reduce Surgical Site Infections after Cesarean Delivery

Medstar Health

CLABSI Reduction in an Environment of Competing Priorities

University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center

Implementation of an Interprofessional Diuresis Clinic for Preventing Heart Failure Hospitalizations

University of Maryland Baltimore Washington Medical Center

Implementation of an Expediting Team and Departure Lounge to Improve Patient Throughput

New in 2024, the Mid-Atlantic Patient Safety Organization, a component of the Maryland Patient Safety Center, sponsored the **2024 Turning the Tide: Culture of Patient Safety Award**. This award recognizes

an individual from an organization that is a member of any Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) federally listed Patient Safety Organization across the country.

Nominees were individuals that exemplify the attitudes and values that advance a patient safety culture, and receiving the honor of the inaugural Turning the Tide award is Kristen Crandall, RN and Vice President of Safety and Quality for PM Pediatric Care. Kristen will also be recognized at the awards reception on April 25 2024 at the Baltimore Hilton.

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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/>.