

PATIENT SAFETY IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

The Maryland Patient Safety Center (MPSC) knows that Emergency Departments are working tirelessly on ED wait times and throughput issues. MPSC offers tools to help reduce harms that are occurring as a result of overcrowding and boarding, which can negatively effect patient care, mortality, morbidity, patient satisfaction, and quality of

care. The physical and moral harm experienced by ED staff is also substantial.

Join MPSC throughout the year for virtual webinars, patient safety tools courses, confidential and protected roundtable discussions for shared and experiential learning, and safety reviews tailored for high priority adverse events in the Emergency Department.

ED SAFETY LEARNING SERIES

This series of easy-to-consume virtual webinars will highlight emerging patient safety trends and issues of critical need in the Emergency Department. The webinars will identify innovative strategies and implementation techniques to support ED teams in meeting their quality and safety goals and harm reduction.

| July 18, 2024 | 12:00-1:00pm | Behavioral Health Emergencies |
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| September 19, 2024 | 12:00-1:00pm | Data and Dashboards to Improve Outcomes in the ED |
| October 17, 2024 | 12:00-1:00pm | Pediatric Readiness for the ED |
| November 21, 2024 | 12:001:00pm | Caring for Our Caregivers: Workplace Violence in the ED |
| December 5, 2024 | 12:00-1:00pm | Implementing a Collaborative Initiative to Improve the Quality of Care for Maternal Patients Presenting to The Emergency Department |
| January 16, 2025 | 12:00-1:00pm | Safety and Security in the ED |
| February 20, 2025 | 12:00-1:00pm | Medication Safety in the ED |
| March 20, 2025 | 12:00-1:00pm | Surge Plans |
| May 22, 2025 | 12:00-1:00pm | Handoffs and Communication |
| June 18, 2025 | 12:00-1:00pm | Diagnostic Delays and Errors in the ED |

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PATIENT SAFETY TOOLS

Many healthcare professionals, particularly quality and safety leaders, use a variety of patient safety tools and techniques daily to ensure the delivery of highly-reliable care; but these tools also offer implementable, effective, and practical applications for front-line healthcare workers to improve patient safety systems and processes.

| September 25, 2024 | 12:00-2:00pm | Reviewing Safety Events in the ED |
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| January 22, 2025 | 12:00-2:00pm | Failure Modes and Effects Analysis to Proactively Address Safey in the ED |
| May 28, 2025 | 12:00-2:00pm | Teamwork and Communication Tools (Team STEPPS®) in the ED |

SAFE TABLES

Safe Tables are a shared learning forum for peers to exchange patient safety experiences, discuss best practices, network and learn from each other in an open, uninhibited and legally protected environment. Safe Tables are open to MPSC members only.

| June 12, 2024 | 1:00-3:00pm | Overcrowding and Boarding |
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| March 12, 2025 | 1:00-3:00pm | ED Led Priorities |

ED LISTSERV

MPSC operates a listserv for healthcare professionals with an interest in Emergency Department safety. The listserv offers a network for shared and experiential learning and is used by MPSC to share upcoming events and information specific to safety in this specialty. MPSC members may use the listserv to pose questions to the group in order to garner feedback, solutions, and gain consensus on topics related to quality and safety in the ED. **Please contact mpsc@marylandpatientsafety.org to be enrolled.**





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