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for Patient and Workforce Safety

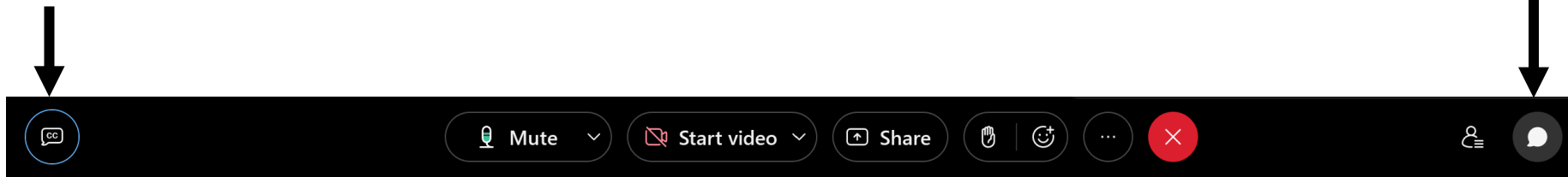
# **Understanding and Operationalizing the National Action Alliance Aim #1: Advance Organizational Safety Strategies Using National Action Plan Foundations**

**NATIONAL WEBINAR SERIES**

May 21, 2024

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# Questions to Run On

**How can the self-assessment tool help organizations identify and prioritize areas to work on?**

**How are patient and family representatives best included in the self-assessment process?**

**\*Please submit your response in the chat**

# Audience Engagement #1

**How have you assessed safety in your organization?**

**\*Please submit your response in the chat**

# Overview of IHI's National Action Plan: Self-Assessment Tool to Improve Patient & Workforce Safety



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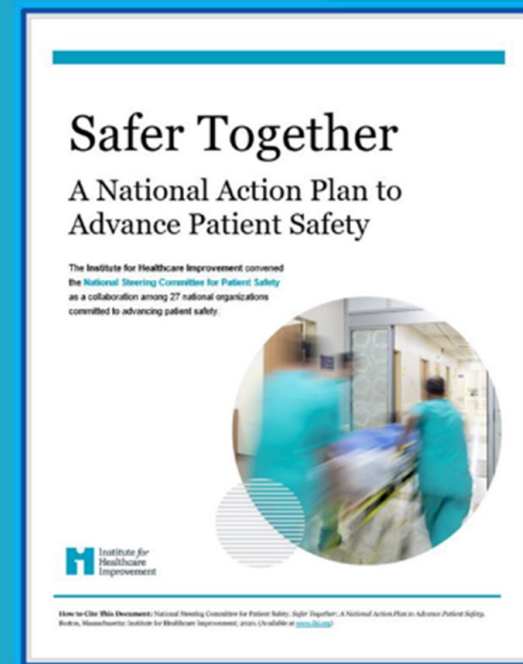
# The National Action Plan to Advance Patient Safety

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# Safer Together: National Action Plan to Advance Patient Safety



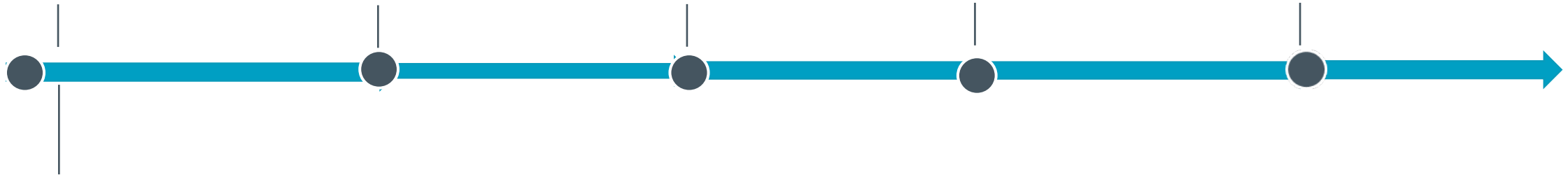
2018 IHI Convenes National Steering Committee for Patient Safety

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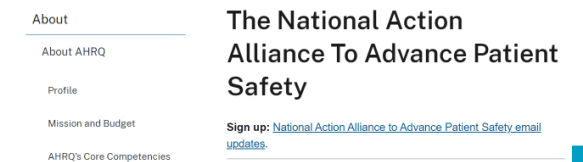
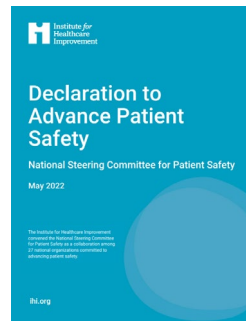
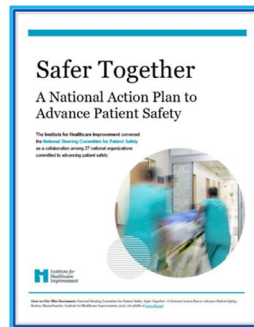
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2022 Implementation Work Group

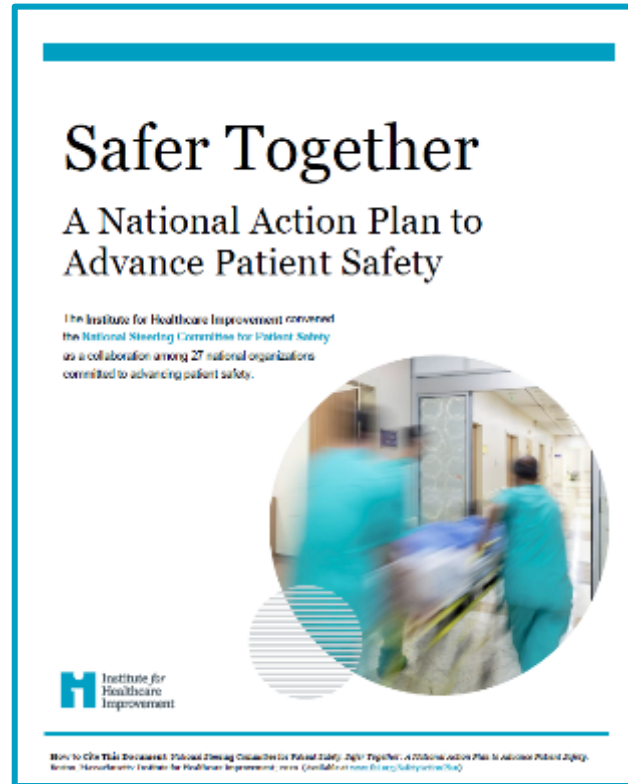
2023 HHS National Action Alliance to Advance Patient Safety



27 Member Organizations; 4 Subcommittees



# Safer Together National Action Plan



[www.ihl.org/SafetyActionPlan](http://www.ihl.org/SafetyActionPlan)



1. Person-Centered Care
2. Care Across the Entire Continuum
3. The Relationship Between Patient Safety & Health Equity





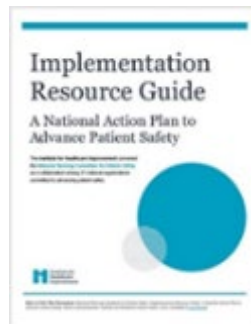
# Safer Together in Action



1. REVIEW the 17 recommendations and tactics to advance patient safety in [Safer Together: A National Action Plan for Patient Safety](#).



2. IDENTIFY a senior sponsor and core team charged with deploying the [Self-Assessment Tool](#) to ASSESS your current state in each of the 4 foundational areas.



3. ESTABLISH and ENACT strategies, tactics, and measurement and improvement plans by leveraging the [Implementation Resource Guide](#).

# Culture, Leadership and Governance



## Ensure

- Safety is a demonstrated core value

## Assess and commit

- Resources to advance safety

## Widely share

- Information about safety to promote transparency

## Implement

- Competency-based governance and leadership



# Patient and Family Engagement



## Establish

- Competencies for all health care professionals-engagement of Pt/F/Care Partner

## Engage

- Patients, families, and care partners in the co-production of care

## Include

- Pt/F/Care Partners in leadership, governance, and safety and improvement efforts

## Ensure

- Equitable engagement for all patients, families, and care partners

## Promote

- A culture of trust and respect for patients, families, and care partners



# Workforce Safety and Wellbeing

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## Implement

- A systems approach to safety

## Assume

- Accountability for physical and psychological safety and a healthy work environment that fosters the joy of the health care workforce

## Develop, resource, execute

- Priority programs that equitably foster workforce safety



# Learning System



## Facilitate

- Both intra- and inter-organizational learning

## Accelerate

- Development of the best possible safety learning networks

## Initiate and develop

- Systems to facilitate interprofessional education and training on safety

## Develop

- Shared goals for safety across the continuum of care

## Expedite

- Industry-wide coordination, collaboration, and cooperation on safety



# Average Score by Foundational Area\*

	CLG	PFE	WFS	LS
Just Beginning	7-11	7-11	7-11	6-10
Making Progress	<b>15.66</b> 12-17	<b>13.67</b> 12-17	<b>17.28</b> 12-17	<b>14.99</b> 11-15
Significant Impact	18-23	18-23	18-23	16-20
Exemplary Performance	24-28	24-28	24-28	21-24

\*N=160 Online Assessments, deidentified (11/2023)



# High/low average scores by Foundational Area

Foundational Area	Highest Scoring Element	Lowest Scoring Element
Culture, Leadership, Governance	Harm Events	Annual Reviews for Senior Leaders
Patient & Family Engagement	Communication & resolution of adverse events	PFACs
Workforce Safety	Safety reporting systems	Job Descriptions
Learning System	Safety goals	Engaging patients

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# Proposed CMS Patient Safety Structural Measure (PSSM)



PSSM Domain	NAP Domain	Key PSSM Specifications
<b>Domain 1:</b> Leadership Commitment to Eliminating Preventable Harm	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culture, Leadership, Governance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C-suite oversees <b>safety self-assessment</b> and resulting plan and metrics</li> </ul>
<b>Domain 2:</b> Strategic Planning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culture, Leadership, Governance</li> <li>Workforce Safety &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>Learning System</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strategic plan publicly shares hospital commitment to “<b>zero preventable harm</b>”</li> <li>Safety goals include use of <b>metrics to identify and address disparities in safety</b></li> <li>Hospital requires <b>implementation of a patient safety curriculum and competencies for all staff</b></li> <li>Hospital has <b>action plan for workforce safety</b></li> </ul>
<b>Domain 3:</b> Culture of Safety & Learning Health System	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culture, Leadership, Governance</li> <li>Learning System</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital conducts <b>hospital-wide culture of safety survey</b></li> <li>Hospital implements: <b>Team communication training</b>, Use of <b>human factors engineering principles in design of devices</b></li> <li>Hospital <b>participates in large-scale learning network(s) for patient safety</b></li> </ul>
<b>Domain 4:</b> Accountability & Transparency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Culture, Leadership, Governance</li> <li>Patient &amp; Family Engagement</li> <li>Workforce Safety &amp; Wellbeing</li> <li>Learning System</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital <b>reports safety events to AHRQ-listed PSO voluntarily reporting to AHRQ’s Network of Patient Safety Databases</b></li> <li>Hospital has a <b>communication and resolution program</b>, such as AHRQ’s CANDOR toolkit</li> </ul>
<b>Domain 5:</b> Patient & Family Engagement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patient &amp; Family Engagement</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital has Patient and Family Advisory Council (PFAC) that provides input on safety-related activities</li> <li>Hospital’s PFAC includes patients and caregivers representative of the patient population</li> <li>Patients have comprehensive access to their own medical records via patient portals</li> <li>Hospital incorporates patient/caregiver input about patient safety events</li> </ul>



# Ascension: Utilization and Impact of the Self-Assessment Tool



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# Ascension National Action Plan Journey



**Ascension**

*Listening to you, caring for you.®*

## Amplification of the Journey to “Heal without Harm”



- Complacency with safety program – struggling with reconnecting on safety culture at the front lines
- Massive disruption in the care environment
- Focused on Reactive Safety and Amplifying High Reliability Practices
- Needed to evaluate Structure – Insert NAP –a framework with tactical operational recommendations for improvement
- Assessment with each Ministry market – establish baseline



# Align and Integrate



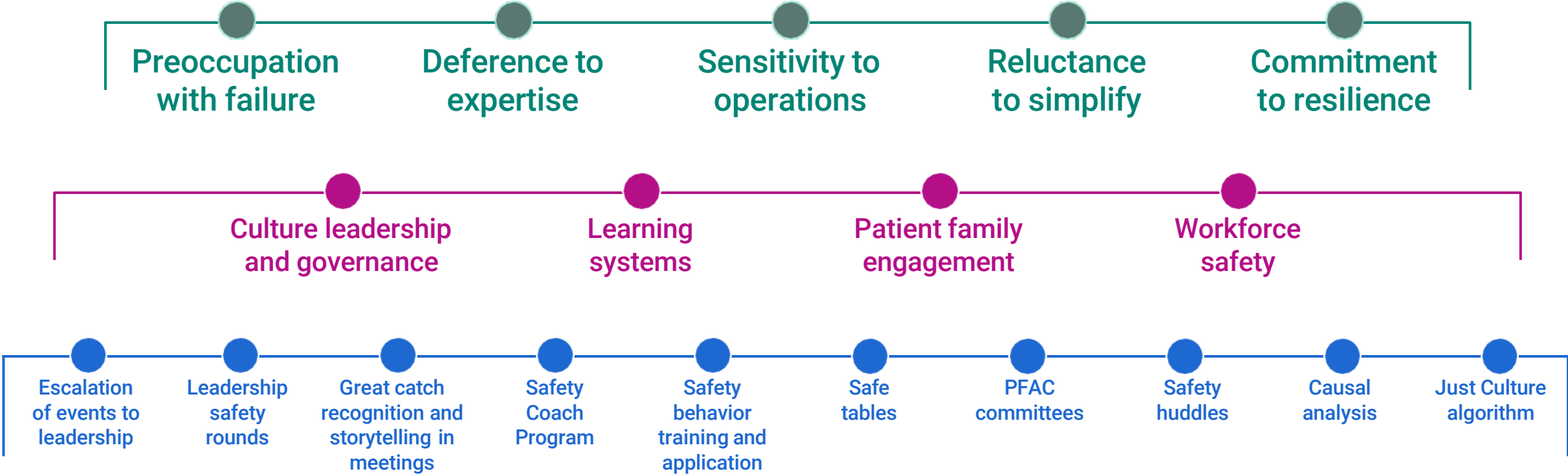
- This is **NOT** another initiative
- Additional goals and priorities can be overwhelming in the current environment
- Using this to transform who we are and how we work



# Aligning our Strategies

*Healing without Harm: Zero Preventable Harm*

## HIGH RELIABILITY ORGANIZATION



## Initiation of the Assessment

- Self Assessment Conducted as Group discussion – Ground rules were important to establish focus on learning
- Established consensus – Facilitation was key to maintaining psychological safety
- Pay attention to the variation and **take time to understand** the perceptions that contribute

Ascension Overall Aggregated Scores – Baseline	
Culture, Leadership Governance	Making Progress
Patient Family Engagement	Making Progress
Workforce Safety	Making Progress
Learning Systems	Making Progress



# Prioritize

Strengths	Weaknesses	Opportunities	Threats
Incident Reporting / Improvement in Culture	Safety 2 - Proactive / Preventative	Patient Safety Standard Work	Workforce Stability
SERT / RCA Guidelines	Individual vs. System Focus	Just Culture - consistent understanding and application	Financial Stability
PSO All Teach, All Learn	Lack voice of the patient/family in safety processes	Expand the shared mental model for patient safety	Patient Safety Resources
			Regulatory Pressures
			Challenges to the PSO protections



# Culture Leadership and Governance

- Intentional Communication and Messaging
- Board Education
- Senior Leader Accountability for Safety Goals
- AIM Calls, Leadership Safety Rounds

**Quality & Safety Matters**

*Inspiring Stories from Our Healing without Harm Journey*



**Ascension**





# Workforce Safety

Opportunities and Focus:

- **Safety Strategy**
  - Organizing Operations to Support Associate Safety
- **Priority Safety Programs - Aligning with STEEEP\***
  - Non-Healthcare Targets
  - Ascension Associate Safety Top 5 Committee
  - Action Oriented Committee - Micro, Meso, Macro
- **Safety Events**
  - Aligned with Patient Safety Event Response
  - Trained Associate Health in Causal Analysis
  - Integration with Safety Causal Analysis database to facilitate Common Cause Analysis
  - All Teach All Learn inclusion

NAP Assessment	2022	2024 Projection
Workforce Safety	Just Beginning	Exemplary Performance



# Patient and Family Engagement

Opportunities and Focus:

## Ascension Service Commitments

- **Patient Family Advisory Councils**
  - Patient and Family Digital Panels
- **Equity**
  - Focus on the Community – 600 CHNA
  - Equity Reports by Market by Zip Code
  - Stratification of Quality and Safety data and Equity related goals
- **Patient Portals**
  - Ascension ONE
- **Communication and Resolution Programs**
  - CORE – Communicate Openly Resolve Early

NAP Assessment	2022	2024 Projection
Patient and Family Engagement	Just Beginning	Significant Impact



Extend  
**kindness**

Listen to  
**understand**

Serve  
**together**

# Learning System

## Leverage Use of the Ascension PSO

- Safe Tables
- Standardized Communications - including All Teach All Learn Safety Stories
- Everyday Hero Program
- High Reliability Spotlight Series
- Annual Virtual Patient Safety Summit
- External engagements



# Focus leads to Results

- Intentional Communication all the way to the front line
- Amplification of High Reliability and Safety
  - “We’ve Got Your Back”
- Focus on Structure and Accountability

## *Improvement in 5 Areas of Safety Culture in 2022*

*Voluntary reporting of near misses and no-harm events has rebounded*

*Decrease in Serious Safety*

*Events 13% decrease in mortality*

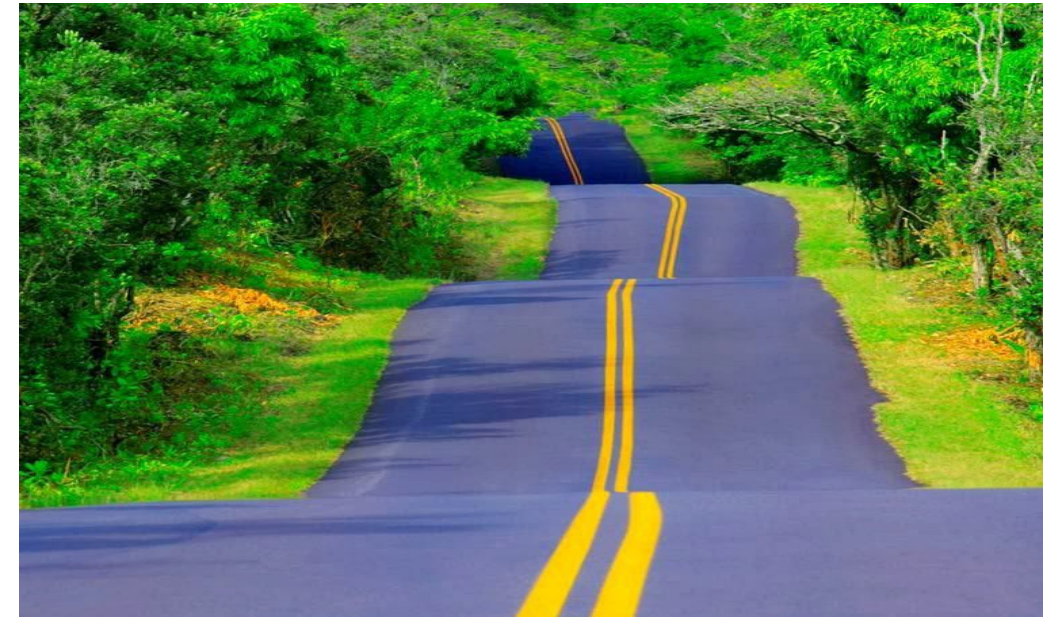
*20% reduction in HAIs*

*20% Increase in Medicare Annual Wellness Visits overall with a 16.5% increase in the Black/African American Population*



# Milestones of the Journey

- Walk – don't run
- Anticipate the bumps – change management
- If we are going to transform – we can't forget about
- Structure, Process, Outcome, ACCOUNTABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY



Goal	
In FY24, Increase by a minimum Of 1 point in Each Foundational Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•High Reliability Practice Amplification - inclusive of recommendations in the NAP</li><li>•Identifying and responding to current structure for patient safety in each market</li><li>•Escalation pathways for Serious Safety Events</li><li>•Segmentation of patient safety data to identify inequities</li><li>•Increasing All Teach, All Learn Activities facilitated by the AHPSO</li><li>•Increased participation in External Learning Networks</li></ul>



# UnitedHealth: Utilization and Impact of the Self-Assessment Tool



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# Safety Together National Action Plan: Driving System Level Transformation

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# UHG Journey Toward High Reliability

*Goal: Eliminate harm and achieve optimal clinical quality*



**Governance  
Leadership &  
Accountability**

Focused oversight for quality and patient safety across all levels of the organization.



**Learning Systems**

Anticipate and mitigate risks before they occur.



**Capacity &  
Infrastructure**

Develop and support an engaged, accountable, and continuously improving workforce.



**Teamwork &  
Communication**

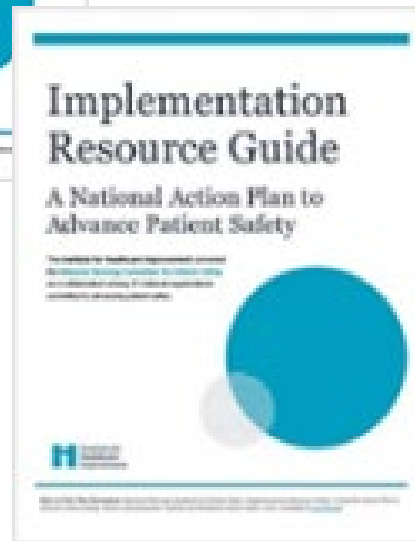
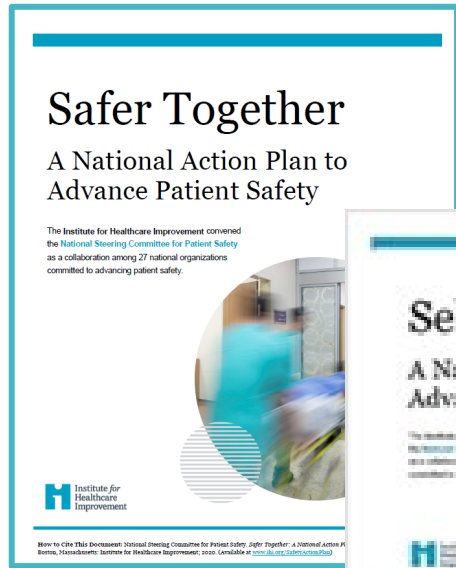
Foster open dialogue among leaders, staff, patients, members and families.



**Innovation &  
Insights**

Embrace new techniques to eliminate harm and achieve optimal clinical quality

# Safer Together National Action Plan (NAP)



- NAP created by the National Steering Committee for Patient Safety included:
  - 27 national organizations
  - 5 federal agencies
  - Several patient advocacy groups
- UHG Plan:
  - Assess our current state
  - Leverage our best practices
  - Prioritize areas of focus with evidenced-based recommended action to improve
  - Measure and monitor improvement
  - Repeat every 24 months

# NAP Self Assessment: Planning, Implementation and Intervention Timeline

2022

**Q2:** NAP Self Assessment selected for quality and patient safety (QPS) strategic priority for 2023

**Q3:** Hosted QPS Summit for QPS strategy implementation planning

**Q4:** Developed materials, including walking decks for leader socialization, facilitator guides, aligned on definitions and required variations. Business leader socialization began

2023

**Q2:** All assessments completed

**Q1:** Business segments required to identify total number of assessments to complete and train facilitators. Data collection tool developed

**Q3:** Results reviewed with business leaders and submitted to Enterprise QPS leadership team. Action plans selected as 2024 strategic priority

**Q4:** Enterprise level and business specific action plans developed

2024

**Q1:** Action plan implementation and reporting began

# NAP Assessments Completed

Each business needed to identify how many assessments to complete:

- Determined by how much variability vs consistency existed within each business on the 4 domains
- Wanted to detect where there were differences in scores within each business without being redundant

	Assessments Completed	Businesses represented
Optum	64	Optum RX – 18, Optum Health – 42, Optum Insights - 4
UHC	57	US – 3, Global - 54
UHG Total	121	

# NAP Results: Enterprise Priority Areas of Focus

Domain	Item
Culture, Leadership and Governance	Safety culture survey
Culture, Leadership and Governance and Learning Systems	Safety goals
Culture, Leadership and Governance and Workforce Safety	Job descriptions
Workforce Safety	Safety strategy
Workforce Safety	Occupational safety
Learning Systems	Education and Competencies

# Safety Culture Survey

	SCORE: 1	SCORE: 2	SCORE: 3	SCORE: 4	ROW SCORE
<b>Safety Culture Surveys</b>	No or some units/departments conduct patient safety culture surveys.	An <i>organization-wide</i> patient safety culture survey occurs <i>at least every 2 years using a validated survey tool</i> .	An organization-wide patient safety culture survey occurs at least every 2 years using a validated survey tool. <i>Survey data is tracked and trended with the ability to drill down to the unit/department level. Action plans are put in place on an inconsistent basis.</i>	An organization-wide patient safety culture survey occurs at least every 2 years using a validated survey tool. Survey data is tracked and trended with the ability to drill down to the unit/department level. <i>Action plans are put in place as a result of the data and progress is monitored and evaluated for improvement. Data and actions are shared at all organization levels.</i>	

# Safety Culture Survey

## Measurement

- First enterprise-wide safety culture survey completed in Oct 2023.
- 5 surveys used:
  - AHRQ SOPS surveys where applicable
  - Input provided by AHRQ, Westat, internal organizational psychologists on measuring outside of currently available SOPS survey types (ex. Home and community, mail order pharmacy, pharmacy benefits manager, payers)
- 61% response rate, 409,000 employees surveyed
- Plan for every 2-year measurement

## Analysis, Debriefing, Action Planning

- Analysis:
  - Data tracked and trended with drill down at every level of organization down to individual teams
  - Domains and items trend analysis
  - Race/ethnicity, gender – to complete LGBTQ+ analysis next
  - Qualitative - latest AI and NLP techniques for topic modeling, sentiment analysis and risk review for over 65,000 comments
  - Identification of hot spots, warm spots and bright spots for quantitative and qualitative results
- Debriefing and Action Planning:
  - Debriefing and Action planning tool developed. Action planning built into survey platform allowing for action plans to be viewed by all managers ***and*** AHRQ evidenced-based recommendations pre-populated for ease.
  - Business level action plans submitted with updates q6 months

# Safety Goals

## Culture, Leadership and Governance

	SCORE: 1	SCORE: 2	SCORE: 3	SCORE: 4	ROW SCORE
<b>Safety Goals</b>	Safety goals are developed. Some goals are accompanied by an action plan and associated metrics.	<i>Safety goals are clearly articulated in strategic and operational plans. Each goal is accompanied by an action plan and associated metrics.</i>	Safety goals are clearly articulated in strategic and operational plans <i>for all care settings</i> . Each goal is accompanied by an action plan and associated metrics.	Safety goals are clearly articulated in strategic and operational plans for all settings of care. Each goal <i>has a dedicated senior sponsor</i> and is accompanied by an action plan and associated metrics.	

## Learning Systems

	SCORE: 1	SCORE: 2	SCORE: 3	SCORE: 4	ROW SCORE
<b>Safety Goals</b>	The organization's goals are vague and do not specify patient safety.	The organization's goals <i>include specific patient safety goals</i> , but targets are not bold. There is no formal process to collect best practices, but rather a reliance on staff willingness to report back from meetings and other outside sources.	The organization has <i>specific patient safety goals, shares learning, and incorporates evolving evidence-based best practices</i> with the aim of eliminating specific types of harm and improving safety.	The organization <i>adopts bold national goals</i> , shares learning, and incorporates evolving evidence-based best practices with the aim of eliminating specific types of harm and improving safety	



# Quality and Safety Goals

## October 2023

- Launched quality belief and new, aligned definition of quality and safety
- Incorporation of quality into our values
- Stop the clock week to connect

## December 2023

- Launched revised clinical quality and patient safety dashboard to drive toward high reliability.
  - Includes completion of NAP self-assessment
- Issued bold, specific, target setting guidance for all dashboard measures



# Quality and Safety Goals

## January 2024

- Quality and safety goal requirement for all business areas with measurement by objectives (MBOs) to measure progress
- Launched quality and safety goal in annual performance review for all employees



### Create success criteria for your Quality goal

Follow these simple steps, in collaboration with your manager, to complete your Quality goal success criteria.

- 1 Reflect:** Although Quality is relevant to every person's role in the company, and every person affects overall Quality, we know Quality can look different in each individual's role.  
Think about what Quality looks like in your specific role and the impact of your specific role on overall Quality. Consider which factors are within your control and what opportunities for improvement you see in your own performance.



#### OUR SHARED QUALITY BELIEF

## Quality connects us.

# Quality means we strive for excellence in everything we do.

Every service delivered. Every home visited. Every pill dispensed. Every document created, product developed and phone call answered. Every moment – and decision – is an opportunity to put Quality first.

Quality is...

Caring about people *and* performance.

Making connections *and* building trust.

Taking individual ownership *and* building trust.

Getting it right the first time *and* continuing to improve.

Because when we focus on our Mission and live our Values, we consistently deliver Quality – to each other and every person we serve.

# When we follow our Mission and live our Values, we deliver Quality

*Quality is reflected in all the ways we work, and infused across our Values*

**Our Mission is our *why*.**

**Helping people live healthier lives and helping make the health system work better for everyone.**

**Our Values unite us around *how* we deliver Quality.**

## **Integrity**

We do the right thing and follow through on our shared commitment to quality.

## **Compassion**

We listen, advocate and act with urgency for those we serve and our colleagues.

## **Inclusion**

We welcome, value, and hear all voices and diverse points of view.

## **Relationships**

We work together to deepen connections and collaboration for better outcomes.

## **Innovation**

We invent a better future by learning from the past.

## **Performance**

We strive for high quality results in everything we do.

# Stop the Clock: UHG Quality Week during National Healthcare Quality Week



## Monday 10/16 Knowledge

- Digital & physical takeover
- Leaders deployed to key sites
- Fireside Chat
- People Leaders activate toolkit
- Passport, Bravo, Social



## Tuesday 10/17 Discussion

- Listening Sessions with Leaders
- UHC & Optum Town Halls
- Photo sharing opens: #QualityConnectsUs
- LinkedIn Learning
- Manager Development Conference



## Wednesday 10/18 Discussion

- Leader Listening Sessions & discussions
- Team meetings & commitments
- Manager Development Conference



## Thursday 10/19 Thank You

- "Thank You Thursday"
- Teams & leaders recognize Quality
- Immersive story sharing
- Leader social posts
- All employees recognize & thank each other

# Education and Competencies

## Learning Systems

	SCORE: 1	SCORE: 2	SCORE: 3	SCORE: 4	ROW SCORE
<b>Education and Competencies</b>	There is no clearly defined strategy for patient safety competencies or education within the organization.	<i>Select staff members</i> in select departments receive basic patient safety education as a part of their role within the organization.	The organization's <i>documented human resources strategy includes a defined patient safety curriculum and competencies for clinical roles</i> and evaluations to assess these competencies. <i>Action plans for continuing education are limited to leaders and clinicians.</i>	The organization's documented human resources strategy includes a defined patient safety curriculum and competencies for <i>all</i> roles, regular evaluations to assess these competencies, and action plans for continuing education of <i>all leaders, clinicians, and staff.</i>	

# Quality Academy

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## April 2024

- Quality Academy launched
- 1<sup>st</sup> course – Quality in Action –101 level course for all current employees and new hires

## Late 2024

- Launch core problem solving courses for all employees – 201 level
- Launch 201 level courses for clinically facing employees

Welcome to Quality Academy!



# NAP Self-Assessment Lessons Learned

Phase	Strengths	Improvements for the future
Planning & Pre-work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning, planning, planning</li> <li>• Facilitator guide for alignment of language and necessary variation.</li> <li>• Dry runs with facilitators</li> <li>• Walking decks to support communication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Host a facilitator kick off, encourage best practice sharing among facilitators</li> <li>• Additional facilitator training and oversight to ensure interrater reliability</li> </ul>
Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed standard data collection tool.</li> <li>• Key definitions from facilitator guide imbedded in data collection tool.</li> <li>• Implementation timeline of March – June was right given size of organization</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More work to align language and consistency in non-care delivery settings.</li> <li>• Improve data collection tool to save and return – took 1-2 meetings to complete tool.</li> </ul>
Reporting & Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used the IHI reporting tool with imbedded action plan recommendation for individual reports. Great design for each assessment.</li> <li>• We created rollup reports for larger businesses to summarize their results.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Summarizing enterprise score. Businesses were so different in size it made it impossible to roll up scores. Better guidance on rolling up scores, if at all.</li> </ul>
Action Planning & Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Both enterprise and business specific action plans were critical.</li> <li>• Incorporated into strategic planning process</li> <li>• Tracking of action plan completion is done quarterly as part of quarterly QPS data reporting cycle.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We will see ---</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 2024:</b> <b>Started planning for reassessment in 2025</b></p>



# Summary

- The Safer Together National Action Plan (NAP) is a critical tool for our organization to:
  - Assess our current state
  - Leverage best practices
  - Prioritize areas of focus with evidenced-based recommended action to improve
  - Measure and monitor improvement
- It was successfully used across all areas of our organization to drive our quality and safety strategy – including hospitals, ambulatory clinics, behavioral health, urgent care, pharmacies, pharmacy benefits, and payer.

# Audience Engagement #2

**Based on what you heard today,  
what will be the one action that you take in the next week?**

**\*Please submit your response in the chat**

# Upcoming Event of Interest

## **Webcast: Using AHRQ's SOPS® Hospital Survey and Workplace Safety Item Set: Experiences from a State Hospital Association**

May 23, 2024 (3:30-4:30 p.m. ET)

Registration and event details can be found on [AHRQ website](#)

This [webcast](#) will highlight how the Indiana Hospital Association (IHA) used AHRQ's Surveys on Patient Safety Culture® (SOPS®) [Hospital Survey](#) and [Workplace Safety Supplemental Item Set](#) to assess patient safety culture and workplace safety in 41 Indiana hospitals. Speakers will discuss their member organizations' survey results, how SOPS resources were used, and their focus on initiatives to address workplace safety, including burnout.

The webcast will also showcase recent research about the relationship between hospital workplace safety culture and patient safety culture, job satisfaction, and intent to leave.

# Thank You!

Announcing the Next NAA Monthly National Webinar  
**Empowering Patient Voice in Safety Strategies: Understanding and  
Operationalizing the National Action Alliance Aim#2**

**June 18, 2024**

**Noon- 1:00 PM ET**

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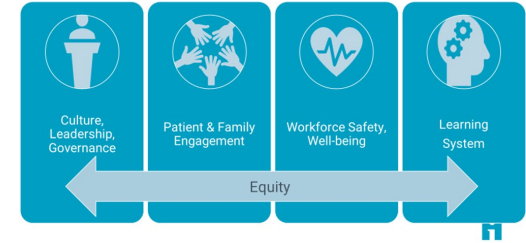
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# Appendix



# History

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- **May-September 2018:** NSC reviews best available evidence and identify four areas to of focus
  - Criteria: substantial, wide-ranging influence on many aspects of patient safety; relevant across boundaries of specialization, settings, organizational characteristics, and populations; interdependent
- **Dec 2018:** Subcommittees convene, comprised of diverse subject matter experts and patient/family representation.
- **Dec 2018-Feb 2020:** Biweekly-monthly meetings to establish aims, key recommendations, tactics, online assessment tool, and Implementation Resource Guide. Co-chairs join NSC meetings for feedback and to ensure coordination across focus areas.
- **March-July 2020:** NSC & Subcommittees review Plan for relevance given COVID-19 pandemic
- **Sept 2020:** National Action Plan Released



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