

2006 Quality and Patient Safety Winners

Critical Access Hospitals

1st Place:

Louis Smith Memorial Hospital
852 West Thigpen Avenue
Lakeland, GA 31635

Improving Patient Care through Technology: Implementing Teleradiology and PACS in a Critical Access Hospital

Bill B. Wilson, Quality/Risk Manager

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Neil Ginty, CEO

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2nd Place:

Monroe County Hospital
88 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive
Forsyth, GA 31029

Creating a Culture of Excellence to Improve Patient Safety

Christa Garner, Director of Quality Management

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Oliver J. Booker, CEO

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Less than 100 Beds

1st Place:

Kindred Hospital
705 Juniper Street, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30308

Reduction of Decannulation / Extubation

Theresa Loomis, RN, DQM – Director of Quality Management

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Tim E. Merritt, CEO

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Less than 100 Beds, cont.

2nd Place: Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute
6135 Roosevelt Highway
Warm Springs, GA 31830

Improving Patient Safety Using Existing Resources

Linda Loeffler, Director of Organizational Performance

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Greg Schmieg, Executive Director

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3rd Place: Habersham County Medical
541 Historic Highway 441 North
Demorest, GA 30535

STEMI Project: From Door to Cath Lab... The Beat Goes On

Teri Newsome, Director Quality Management/Patient Safety

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C. Richard Dwozan, President

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100 to 299 Beds

1st Place: Piedmont Fayette Hospital
1255 Highway 54 West
Fayetteville, GA 30214

Reduction of Blood Culture Contamination Rates

Sue Fuller, Director of Patient Safety

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Darrell Cuts, President / CEO

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100 to 299 Beds, cont.

2nd Place: Redmond Regional Medical Center
Tie 501 Redmond Road
Rome, GA 30165

Reducing the Incidence of Contrast Induced Nephropathy

Barbara Garner, Quality Resources
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Brenda Waltz, CEO
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2nd Place: St. Francis Hospital
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Columbus, GA 31904

When Seconds Count... Deploy Rapid Response Team

Cindy Kinney, Nurse Educator
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Robert Granger, CEO
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3rd Place: St. Francis Hospital
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Columbus, GA 31904

Medication Reconciliation – A Patient Safety Initiative to Prevent Adverse Drug Events

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Greater than 300 Beds

1st Place: Athens Regional Medical Center
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Athens, GA 30606

The Assessment Team: Rescue Rather than Resuscitate

Wanda Kaye Tillery, Director – Quality Support Services

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John A. Drew, President

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2nd Place: Saint Joseph’s Hospital Atlanta
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Continuous Lateral Rotation Therapy Beds

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Kirk Wilson, CEO

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Speed Up Treatment Times in the Management of ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction (STEMI) Patients

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Greater than 300 Beds, cont.

3rd Place: Medical Center of Central Georgia
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Macon, GA 31201

**Eliminating Dangerous Drug Abbreviations: Having “High Hopes”
and High Expectations**

Vickie Stuckey, Patient Safety Coordinator

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Don Faulk, President / CEO

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Hospital / Health Systems

1st Place: St. Joseph’s / Candler
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Savannah, GA 31419

Smoking Cessation

Cheryl Capers, Director Accreditation Services

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Paul P. Hinchey, President / CEO

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2nd Place: Emory Health Care
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H.A.R.T. (Heart Attack Rescue Team) – From Field to Flow

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Hospital / Health System cont.

3rd Place: Grady Memorial Hospital / Grady Health System
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Medical Error Reporting Surveillance Program

Fran Baker, Patient Safety Officer

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John D. Henry, Sr., President / CEO

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3rd Place: Gwinnett Medical Center / Health System
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Lawrenceville, GA 30045

Reducing Overrides in Automated Dispensing Machines: Sorting It Out

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