



## **2025 Patient Safety Award Winners**

### **CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS**

1st place – Atrium Health Floyd Polk Medical Center

*Rural Revival: Empowering Heart Failure Patients with Iron Deficiency Solutions*

2nd place – Atrium Health Navicent Peach

*Sustaining the Elimination of Hospital-Acquired Infections at AHNP*

3rd place – Bacon County Hospital and Health System

*CDI- A Retrospective Interdisciplinary Study to Improve the Quality and Collaboration of Patient Care*

### **HOSPITALS WITH LESS THAN 100 BEDS**

1st place – Northeast Georgia Medical Center Habersham

*Flow with Purpose: Elevating ED2B Through Collaboration and Data*

2nd place – Colquitt Regional Health System

*Feeding the Future: Achieving Equity and Safety Through Food Resource Programs*

3rd place – Northeast Georgia Medical Center Barrow

*Fall Free Starts with Me*

### **HOSPITALS WITH 100-299 BEDS**

1st place – Wellstar Douglas Medical Center

*Communication is Connection: Enhancing ICU Care Through a Dedicated Communication Cart*

2nd place – Hamilton Medical Center

*Early Recognition and Intervention for Sepsis Management*

3rd place – Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

*Back to the Basics: A Quality Improvement Project to Reduce MRSA*

### **HOSPITALS WITH GREATER THAN 300 BEDS**

1st place – Emory Decatur Hospital

*Waterfall Rapid Medical Evaluation (RME): Transforming Front-End Emergency Care*

2nd place – Atrium Health Floyd Medical Center

*Novel Use of Surgeon's Intraoperative Data Improves Patient Outcomes for Laparoscopic Sleeve Gastrectomy Surgery*

3rd place – SGMC Health

*Transforming Environmental Services for Better Patient Satisfaction and Safety*

## **HEALTH SYSTEMS**

1st place – Wellstar Health System

*Empowering Future Nurses: Implementing a Dedicated Education Unit Model*

2nd place – Emory Healthcare

*Pathway to Excellence: A Systemwide Journey to Mortality Reduction and Safer Care*

3rd place – Atrium Health Floyd

*Advancing Medical Education Through Quality Improvement and Interdisciplinary Collaboration*

## **SPECIALTY**

1st place – Wellstar Windy Hill

*Tik Tok... Time is Ticking: A Review of an Advanced Certified Ambulatory Surgery Center's Approach to Reducing Patients' Length of Stay*

2nd place – Shepherd Center

*Workflow-Driven Improvements in Modified Diet Monitoring and Documentation*

3rd place – Shepherd Center

*Turning the Tide on Pressure Injuries: A Multidisciplinary Approach Through PDSA Cycles*

## **Josh Nahum Award for Infection Prevention and Control**

1st place – Crisp Regional Hospital

*Right Test, Right Time: Strengthening Infection Control Through Stewardship*

2nd place – SGMC Health

*Improving Patient Safety: Impact of Staff Re-Education and Epic Order Set Optimization on C.difficile Infection Rates*

3rd place – Northeast Georgia Medical Center Gainesville

*Improving Healthcare-Acquired Infection Outcomes Through Enhanced Data Visibility*

## **Circle of Excellence Award**

Atrium Health Floyd

Colquitt Regional Health System

Crisp Regional Hospital

Emory Healthcare

Northeast Georgia Medical Center Habersham

Wellstar Douglas Medical Center

Wellstar Health System

Wellstar West Georgia Medical Center

Wellstar Windy Hill