

**“Preventing Patient Falls: Getting on the Right Path;
What Every Health Care Facility Should Know”
Webinar #T5075**

**August 7, 2018
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Program Overview:

Falls are an important patient safety and risk management issue. They are the number one hospital-acquired condition (HAC). Patient death or serious injury associated with a fall is also one of the 29 National Quality Forum Never Events in which some states have agreed not to bill for. Also, falls can result in the filing of a medical malpractice case. Every hospital should consider having a falls team to look at this important patient safety issue. Preventing falls among patients requires a multifaceted approach. Fall prevention is a crucial topic for today's aging population.

This seminar will discuss recognition, evaluation, assessment, categories of risk, policies and procedures, evidenced based literature, toileting, medication alteration, hourly rounding, post-fall huddle, need to increase mobility, signage, no pass zone, safe room set up, patient education, incident reports and prevention of falls. It will also discuss how to comply with the Joint Commission and the CMS hospital CoP standards on falls.

Learning Objectives:

At the completion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss why every hospital should have a falls program;
2. Describe how all staff should know how to define what constitutes a fall and how to measure the fall rate;
3. Examine the reason why CMS will not pay for falls-related medicare claims, if they occur during hospitalization and cause serious injury;
4. Discuss how decreased mobility can result in falls; and
5. List evidenced-based fall assessment tools used in inpatient and outpatient settings.

Target Audience:

Staff that should attend include falls team members, CMO, CNO, physicians, nurses, risk management, quality staff, compliance officer, patient safety officer, nurse educators, leadership staff, accreditation staff, compliance officer, legal counsel and anyone else who is responsible for ensuring the CMS Conditions of Participation (CoPs) and Joint commission standards related to falls.

Faculty:

Sue Dill Calloway, President, Patient Safety and Health Care Education and Consulting

Sue Dill Calloway has been a nurse attorney and consultant for more than 30 years. Currently, she is president of Patient Safety and Healthcare Education and Consulting and was previously the chief learning officer for the Emergency Medicine Patient Safety Foundation. She has conducted many educational programs for nurses, physicians, and other healthcare providers. Sue has authored over 100 books and numerous articles. She is a frequent speaker and is well known across the country in the areas of healthcare law, risk management, and patient safety.

Registration Fee:

\$195 per site for MHA members

\$295 per site for non-members

The registration deadline is July 31. Advance registration is required to ensure the delivery of instructional materials.

Cancellation Policy:

Cancellations made prior to the registration deadline (July 31) will be issued a refund, less a \$25 administrative fee. Cancellations made after July 31 will be charged 50% of the registration fee. No refunds will be issued for those who do not cancel in advance of the program.

Connecting to the Webinar:

Google Chrome is the recommended web browser for this webinar. If you use Internet Explorer, please contact Leslie Couturier at lcouturier@themha.org or 207/622-4794 for further information. **All registration fees are per phone connection.** If more than one connection is made from your hospital for any reason, an additional charge of \$195.00 (per connection) will be billed. Upon registering for the webinar, notify all participants and arrange a meeting room and speaker phone, if desired. At least three business days prior to the webinar, you will receive confirmation of your registration via email including instructions on logging in, as well as attached handouts. Approximately 5 to 10 minutes before the program, dial in to be connected to the session.

If you have not received a confirmation notice 48 hours prior to the program, please call Leslie Couturier at (207) 622-4794 to confirm your registration has been received.

Registration Form

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The fee covers **ONE** telephone connection and includes a set of handouts (which can then be copied).

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Payment Method: Check enclosed (payable to MHA) Check being mailed Credit Card**

If paying by credit card, please register online at www.themha.org. **VISA and **MasterCard** accepted.

Please complete this fillable PDF form and email or fax to lcouturier@themha.org or 207/622-3073. Mail original along with payment to: Leslie Couturier, Maine Hospital Association, 33 Fuller Road, Augusta, Maine 04330. If you have questions, please call Leslie Couturier or Carol Sinclair at 207/622-4794 or by email at lcouturier@themha.org or csinclair@themha.org.

Registration deadline is Tuesday, July 31, 2018.