

# Washington PATIENT SAFETY COALITION

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*Reaching resolution after patient harm*

## THE 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NORTHWEST PATIENT SAFETY CONFERENCE CALL FOR SPEAKERS & POSTERS

**CONFERENCE DATES:** MAY 7-8, 2019

**EARLY-DECISION SPEAKER DEADLINE:** DECEMBER 1, 2018

**POSTER DEADLINE:** APRIL 1, 2019

We are pleased to invite interested speakers to submit proposals for presentations and posters at our 17<sup>th</sup> annual conference, *now two days!* We seek experienced, dynamic speakers who can present their experience with topics related to the conference theme for 2019: **RAISING THE BAR ON COMPASSION FOR PATIENTS AND PROVIDERS**, as well as day two's focus, **COMMUNICATION & RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTATION** and engage effectively with our diverse set of attendees.

We especially encourage proposals from across the care spectrum: long-term care, home-based care, ambulatory, and inpatient, as well as patients and family members who are strongly encouraged to attend and to submit proposals.

This annual event draws healthcare leaders from across the Northwest. A broad set of attendees represent healthcare stakeholders including:

- Safety Quality, and Risk Executives and Officers from provider organizations and insurers
- Patients and family members who serve as care partners on advisory committees
- Physicians, nurses, and frontline clinicians from across the spectrum of care
- MHA, MPH, and Medical Students
- Clinical program leaders
- Patient advocates

### HOW TO APPLY

**Preferred:** Fill out and submit abstract [applications here](#).

**IMPORTANT:** Do not cut and paste into the online form. The application will contain directions on how to make edits at a later time.

If you prefer to submit a hard copy or are having trouble with the online form, a Word version of the application is available [here](#).

## SPEAKERS

- If the proposal is accepted, the speaker's registration fee is waived; an expense stipend may be available.
- Each speaker whose proposal is accepted will sign and return by February 7, 2018 a Letter of Agreement which specifies the timeline, responsibilities, and deliverables. If a speaker does not meet the conditions specified in the Letter, the conference organizers may rescind the invitation to speak.
- There are four formats for oral presentations:
  - **20 minute total time TedTalk Style "high intensity talk":**
  - **60 minute session:**
    - The 60 minutes are inclusive of presentation, discussion, and Q&A.
    - A request for more than one speaker must be justified in the presentation application for consideration by the planners.
    - We are also open to presentation structures that showcase real world application of patient safety concepts. Ideas include:
      - A guided debate
      - Facilitation of "[Fishbowl](#)" discussion session.
      - Reenactment or live case study of patient safety case/concept
  - **Two-hour workshop on a specific topic:**
    - This session should be pragmatic and tool-based, providing the opportunity for attendees to learn how to implement an intervention or method.

## POSTER PRESENTERS

- All posters must be in Styrofoam board, or able to rest free standing on an easel
- All posters must be free of commercial bias.
- Posters will be exhibited all day on the wall of a designated conference room. Authors are encouraged to be present with the poster before the plenary sessions and during breaks to discuss the project one-on-one with conference participants, and may provide handouts or printouts of the poster.
- Posters provide a visual display describing innovative approaches to practice, education, or research via short written narratives, tables, graphs, pictures, and/or charts. Maximum poster size is 36" x 48".
- A prize will be awarded for the best poster, selected by vote of the conference attendees.

### ABOUT THE WASHINGTON PATIENT SAFETY COALITION

The Washington Patient Safety Coalition brings together a diverse group of participants to focus on achieving common patient safety goals. Our mission is to improve safety for patients receiving health care in Washington, in all care settings, with a vision of safe care for every patient, every time, everywhere. The WPSC is a program of the Foundation for Health Care Quality, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing a trusted, independent, third party resource to all participants in the health care community – including patients, providers, payers, employers, government agencies, and public health professionals.

### ABOUT THE COLLABORATIVE FOR ACCOUNTABILITY AND IMPROVEMENT

The Collaborative for Accountability and Improvement resides at the University of Washington School of Medicine's Center for Scholarship in Patient Care Quality and Safety. Since 2015 the Collaborative has assembled national and international CRP pioneers and respected thought leaders who facilitate effective CRP implementation and spread.

## **ABOUT THE NORTHWEST PATIENT SAFETY CONFERENCE**

Now in its 17th year, the Northwest Patient Safety Conference is the only event of its kind in the Western US, uniting healthcare professionals, providers, patients, families, and caregivers from all care settings for a day of networking and engaging in sessions with industry thought leaders and others invested in improving the patient experience.