



Children's Hospitals'
Solutions for
Patient Safety
Every patient. Every day.

SPOTLIGHT ON **Safety**

Fall 2015

Upcoming Events


Fall 2015 SPS Board Training Session

Leading Toward Zero Harm: The Next Level in the Role of the Board

September 21-22, 2015
Atlanta, GA

Board members from throughout the SPS Network hospitals will gather in Atlanta, GA to connect with one another and learn how to overcome challenges from those who have been there and done it.

Fall 2015 SPS National Learning Session

 **October 28-29, 2015**
St. Louis, MO

Hundreds of SPS Network hospital leaders will gather in St. Louis, MO for two days of teaching, learning sharing, and relationship building.

Spread the pediatric patient safety message!

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A Message from SPS Leaders...



Welcome to the third edition of our SPS Newsletter - *Spotlight on Safety*.



Our Network of 80+ children's hospitals throughout the US and in Canada have come together with the goal that no child will ever experience serious harm while we are trying to heal them....and as we implement the Network's best practices, we are saving children from harm...and people are starting to take notice! Take a minute to read the recent [US News & World Report Article](#) about our SPS Network's efforts and successes.

In the true spirit of transparency, we are setting the stage by transparently sharing the SPS Network-wide data outside the walls of the Network and on our [SPS public website](#). We are thrilled to announce this groundbreaking news that pediatric harm data is now being publicly shared.

We are excited to announce our new Children's Hospitals' Solutions for Patient Safety Board of Directors. We are fortunate to have this exceptional group of individuals to help lead our efforts. [Take a moment to read the Board of Directors News Release.](#)

As a reminder, this Newsletter is meant to be spread. Click on the "forward email" button (see link in the footer below) to share it with anyone you feel would benefit from reading about SPS and the critical work we are doing to improve safety in our institutions and save children's lives.

Another important reminder: anything within this Newsletter with a small lock symbol will be accessible by SPS Network hospitals only and housed on our SharePoint site for confidentiality purposes.

If you have any questions about information contained in *Spotlight* or suggestions for future features, please contact us at ochsps@cchmc.org.

Keep 'em safe,
Steve Muething and Anne Lyren

Championing CLABSI Takes Belief, Perseverance & Teamwork

Earlier this year, SPS team members interviewed HAC Champions, the individuals at hospitals who own increasing SPS Prevention Bundle Process Reliability for a specific HAC. From the interviews, the SPS team quickly saw that HAC Champions are motivated and ambitious individuals who are excited about empowering their teams, working with passionate team members, and much more.

Dr. Claudia Hoyen, MD at UH/Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital (Rainbow) is one such champion.

Dr. Hoyen, is the Medical Director of Infection Control at Rainbow. In 2012, Rainbow was in the process of rolling out the CLABSI Prevention Bundle. The hospital had a pretty good sense of what the bundle would look like in the PICU and NICU, but at the time, the rest of the hospital was not using bundles in a structured format. It was then that Dr. Hoyen was selected to be the CLABSI Champion at Rainbow. [Learn more...](#)

And the Race Continues On...

Earlier this year, over 400 SPS Network children's hospital employees gathered in Chicago, at the *SPS National Learning Session: The Race Toward Zero Harm*, with a shared goal to learn from each other to urgently reduce and eliminate serious harm in children across all children's hospitals.

Leaders from 80+ children's hospitals have stepped forward and committed to the following clear, shared SPS Network goals of harm reduction by December 31, 2016: 40% reduction in hospital-acquired conditions, 10% reduction in readmissions, and 25% reduction in serious safety events. [Learn more and see photos from the learning session...](#)



Hospitals of the Month

Congratulations to these SPS Network hospitals, who have been recognized as the SPS Hospital of the Month since our spring newsletter!

- Children's Hospital of Wisconsin
- Cohen Children's Medical Center of NY
- Arkansas Children's Hospital
- UH/Rainbow Babies & Children's Hospital
- Le Bonheur Children's Hospital