

## Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS): Discharge Planning

**Thursday, September 27, 2018 LIVE**

2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Eastern

1:00 PM to 2:00 PM Central

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM Mountain

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM Pacific

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### Program Description

Discharge planning is a critical component of successful transitions from acute care hospitals and post-acute care settings. The transition may be to a patient's home, skilled nursing facility, nursing home, long-term care hospital, rehabilitation hospital or unit, assisted living center, substance abuse treatment program, hospice, or a variety of other settings. The location to which a patient may be discharged should be based on the patient's clinical care requirements, available support network, and patient and caregiver treatment preferences and goals of care.

Although the current hospital discharge planning process meets the needs of many inpatients released from the acute care setting, some discharges result in less-than-optimal outcomes for patients, including complications and adverse events that lead to hospital readmissions. Reducing avoidable hospital readmissions and patient complications presents an opportunity for improving the quality and safety of patient care, while lowering healthcare costs.

During this 60-minute activity, experts examine the current hospital discharge planning process, and describe how these processes impact patient outcomes.

### Objectives

After completing this activity, the participant should be able to:

- Identify your current discharge planning process.
- Discuss the impact readmissions have on the healthcare industry.
- Identify methods to help reduce or prevent less-than-optimal patient outcomes.

### Target Audience

This activity is relevant to all hospital staff, medical staff, volunteers, and contracted staff, particularly those who are responsible for life safety-related activities, including safety officers and committees, department managers and supervisors, performance improvement (PI) staff, training and education staff, and risk managers.

### Presenters

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### **Accreditation Information:**

The Joint Commission is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

**Note:** No ACPE credit was provided for this program.

The Joint Commission is provider approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, provider number CEP 6381, for 1 contact hour.

The Joint Commission is authorized to award 1.0 contact hour of pre-approved ACHE Qualified Education credit for this program toward advancement or recertification in the American College of Healthcare Executives. Participants in this program wishing to have the continuing education hours applied toward ACHE Qualified Education credit should indicate their attendance when submitting application to the American College of Healthcare Executives for advancement or recertification.

This activity has been approved by the National Association for Healthcare Quality (NAHQ) for 1.0 Certified Professional Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) credit.

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This education offering qualifies for 1.0 Certified Joint Commission Professional (CJCP) credit hours towards CJCP recertification. In order to obtain CJCP credit hours, an individual must first be certified before they start acquiring CJCP credit hours. CJCP credit hours will not be retroactive.

Full attendance at every session is a prerequisite for receiving full continuing education credits. If a participant needs to leave early, his or her continuing education credits will be reduced.

Successful completion of this CE activity includes the following:

- View the presentation and read the accompanying Resource Guide.
- Complete the online Evaluation Form and Post Test.
- A CE certificate/statement of credit can be printed online following successful completion of the Post Test and the Evaluation Form.

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