

A NEW VISION FOR HOSPITAL SAFETY:

The Steps Leading Hospitals are Taking

What safety challenges are on hospitals' watch lists, and what are they doing to overcome them? This infographic—featuring insights gathered from **Vigilanz's Hospital Patient Safety Report 2022**, Becker's Hospital Review, JAMA, and more—has answers.



WHAT KEEPS HOSPITAL EXECUTIVES AND CLINICAL LEADERS UP AT NIGHT

PANDEMIC

33%

say their hospital should be doing more to address pandemic-exposed safety problems¹

BURNOUT

86%

say staff burnout has decreased patient safety¹

STAFF SAFETY: AN ESCALATING PROBLEM

20% of RNs say violence on the job increased during the pandemic²

60% of incidents of abuse and violence against healthcare workers are underreported²

1,200+ nurses have died from acquiring COVID-19 on the job³

SHORTAGES

80%

say shortages have decreased patient safety¹

HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTIONS

42%

say the rate of HAIs has increased over the past 12 months¹



WHAT SAFETY ISSUES COST EVERYONE

AVOIDABLE HARM

60%

increase in central line-associated bloodstream infections between 2020 and 2019⁴

45%

increase in ventilator-associated events between 2020 and 2019⁴

44%

increase in methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus between 2020 and 2019⁴

AVOIDABLE DEATHS

21%

of healthcare executives say staff burnout has caused patient deaths¹

23%

of healthcare executives say staff shortages have caused patient deaths¹

AVOIDABLE COSTS

13%

of health spending is directly attributable to treating patients harmed during care⁵

\$60B

total cost of treating sepsis each year in the United States⁵

15%

of inpatient expenditure comes from treating hospital-acquired harm⁵



HOW TO OVERCOME SAFETY CHALLENGES

EMBRACE PANDEMIC-FUELED IMPROVEMENTS

PATIENT SAFETY

78%

of hospital executives and clinical leaders say the pandemic has led to new initiatives resulting in improvements¹

STAFF SAFETY

71%

say it has made improving staff safety a higher priority¹

VISITOR SAFETY

49%

say it has led to increased budgets for safety initiatives¹

CONSIDER CLINICAL SURVEILLANCE

81%

of hospital executives and clinical leaders say it helps identify and manage safety events¹

81%

say it helps identify medication errors¹

92%

say it helps identify antibiotic overuse¹

81%

say it helps identify potential infections and outbreaks sooner¹

50%

have plans to implement surveillance technology in the next two years¹

PRIORITIZE SAFETY EVENT REPORTING



Create opportunities for safety event reporting that eliminate negative repercussions



Actively document, address, and track staff and provider concerns



Engage in ongoing conversation about the value of safety for satisfaction and outcomes

Download the full **Hospital Patient Safety Report 2022** to learn more about how hospitals are tackling safety challenges. **Learn more** about how your hospital can partner with Vigilanz to harness the power of clinical surveillance and optimize your safety event reporting capabilities.

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