

2020 Webinar Series

Risk Control

Join Coverys Workers' Compensation Services for its timely, engaging, and information-packed webinars designed specifically for you. As the healthcare industry continues to evolve, we know you understand the importance of continued education on health and safety in the work environment. The webinars in the 2020 series will be instructive and relevant as both internal experts and well-known specialists from around the country will speak on the important topics that healthcare providers encounter daily.

Response to Workplace Violence:
Assessment and Response

**"We really would like to
hear this webinar again!"**

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Employee Health
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Workplace Violence Prevention

Thursday, March 19, 2020 • 11 a.m.–noon Eastern

Program Description

Workplace violence prevention involves more than “active shooter” training. This hybrid issue involves OSHA and HR considerations, and development of policies and training that address issues related to workplace violence.

The program will:

- Examine how workplace violence is defined by OSHA and NIOSH.
- Explain how condoning workplace bullying can expose employers to liability.
- Review laws that limit the ability to ban guns in the workplace.
- Explore the tension between OSHA providing a workplace free from “recognized hazards” and the ADA’s requirements to accommodate workers with mental illness.

This presentation will also address efforts by OSHA and Congress to codify workplace violence standards for the healthcare and social services sectors, and a 2019 OSHRC decision affirming the ability to cite and fine employers who expose workers to known workplace violence threats.

Our Presenter



Adele L. Abrams, Esq., CMSP

President, Law Office of Adele L. Abrams PC

Adele Abrams is a nationally recognized expert on occupational safety and health issues. She provides training on regulatory compliance and best practices to groups including the National Safety Council, the American Society of Safety Professionals, and a variety of construction, manufacturing, and mining associations and private companies.

Dr. Abrams is an attorney, safety professional, and trainer who is president of the Law Office of Adele L. Abrams P.C. in Beltsville, MD; Charleston, WV; and Denver, CO; a multi-attorney firm focusing on representing employers in OSHA/MSHA matters and employment law nationwide. She also teaches employment law at two universities.

Who Should Attend?

- Nurses
- Department managers and supervisors
- Physical therapists and assistants
- Directors and assistant directors of nursing
- Safe patient movement/handling committee members
- Human resource personnel
- Workers’ compensation managers
- Quality improvement team members
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- Administrators

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Achieving a Culture of Safety – Linking Caregiver and Patient Safety through Safe Patient Handling and Mobility

Wednesday, April 22, 2020 • 11 a.m.–noon Eastern

Program Description

We are designed to be upright, dynamic, and mobile. When patients are immobile, it affects patient health and can result in employee injury. This session describes how integrating safe patient movement and early mobility can help build a sustainable culture change. Margaret will share:

- How integrating safe patient handling and mobility (SPHM) and early mobility can help build sustainable culture change.
- How immobility contributes to three major areas of preventable patient harm.
- Patient benefits of safe patient mobility.
- How to link SPHM programs to safe functional mobilization activities.
- The ANA national interprofessional standards for SPHM.

Our Presenter



Margaret Arnold, PT, CEES, CSPHP

Founder & CEO
Inspire Outcomes LLC

Margaret Arnold, PT, CEES, CSPHP, Founder & CEO Inspire Outcomes LLC, is one of the world's foremost experts on early mobility. Margaret has over 25 years of experience as a PT, specializing in back injury treatment and prevention, industrial rehabilitation, ergonomics, and safe patient mobility. She participated in a TED Talk and has been asked to speak internationally and nationally. She has extensive knowledge of safe patient handling technologies and is spearheading research about how to incorporate those technologies into early mobility programs. She designed a multi-function mobility harness, is the editorial advisor on early mobility for the International Journal of Safe Patient Handling, and has a seat on the board of directors for the American Safe Patient Handling Association. She has published extensively on both topics and is a pioneer in integrating early mobility programs with safe patient handling programs.

Margaret has a proven track record of successful, sustainable program outcomes and is passionate about doing whatever it takes to get the best care for patients and in the safest way for caregivers.

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Health Effects of Peracetic Acid Disinfectants

Wednesday, May 13, 2020 • 11 a.m.–noon Eastern

Program Description

- Peracetic acid is used as an ingredient in many widely used disinfectants because it kills *C. difficile* and it is cost-effective. It is also known as being nonallergenic, yet it causes detrimental health effects for some workers who are exposed to it. It is used in many industries, including the healthcare industry.
- This webinar will explain the health effects observed in workers, with specific examples from healthcare workers seen at an occupational medicine clinic.
- It will also discuss the lack of federal regulation of peracetic acid and the difficulties associated with measuring it.
- Lastly, it will provide a discussion of the Safety Data Sheet and the current PPE recommendations.

Our Presenter



Kathryn Buikema, DO, MPH

Chief Resident, University of Colorado Occupational Medicine Residency, Denver

Dr. Kathryn Buikema is a proud eight-year veteran of the U.S. Navy, where she served as a physician. During three of her years of service, she worked in an occupational medicine clinic at a large government agency. This motivated her to pursue occupational medicine as a career. Prior to medical school, she served in the Peace Corps, worked for the United Nations, the State Department, and the U.S. Agency for International Development where she focused on the prevention of HIV/AIDS. She is currently the chief resident of the University of Colorado Occupational Medicine Residency, where she first came across the health effects of a disinfectant containing peracetic acid. Since that time, she has presented several talks and posters on the subject to increase awareness of the lack of federal regulation and difficulty measuring this widely used irritant.

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The Bedside Mobility Assessment Tool 2.0 (BMAT 2.0) Linked to Safe Patient Handling and Mobility Practices

Wednesday, June 17, 2020 • 11 a.m.–noon Eastern

Program Description

This presentation will:

- Discuss why a standardized approach to assessing and mobilizing patients is critical for patient and caregiver safety.
- Introduce the BMAT 2.0.

Mobilizing patients early and often has been shown to improve patient outcomes. Hospitals that achieve goals have focused on implementing quality initiatives that define how to assess patients and safely mobilize them utilizing consistent processes, procedures, and equipment. In addition to patient safety, using an assessment linked to SPHM practices can significantly decrease the risk of injury to caregivers associated with manual handling. BMAT 2.0 is designed to identify deficits in patient function and guide the care team in selection of appropriate SPHM equipment. As with BMAT 1.0, BMAT 2.0 defines four levels of tasks and levels of mobility. BMAT 2.0 also focuses on discharge planning.

Our Presenter



Teresa Boynton, MS, OTR, CSPHP
Independent SPHM and BMAT Consultant
Mobility Consulting and Presentations, LLC

Teresa is an independent clinical consultant with over 30 years' experience in healthcare. For 3 ½ years, she worked for Hill-Rom assisting facilities across the U.S. to implement SPHM programs and BMAT. Prior to this, she worked for Banner Health for over 26 years as an ergonomics and injury prevention specialist. In 2003, she began work on what became the Banner “Bedside Mobility Assessment Tool,” a validated nurse-driven tool. Other projects include: leading the Banner “Safe Patient Handling and Falls Prevention Team;” developing algorithms, a care path, and equipment bundle for bariatric patients; and standardizing workers’ compensation injury coding, tracking, and trending for effective injury prevention action planning.

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Workplace Ergonomic Assessment Tools

Wednesday, October 21, 2020 • 11 a.m.–noon Eastern

Program Description

Managing a successful ergonomics process within a dynamic healthcare environment is a continual challenge. With patient care as a top priority, providing the appropriate means to overcoming the physical challenges that healthcare workers face daily is not an easy task.

This session will provide best practices on how to best evaluate and manage a successful ergonomics process within healthcare.

Our Presenter



Kendra Perdeaux, CPE

Senior Consultant and Ergonomic Engineer
VelocityEHS | Humantech

Kendra facilitates the deployment of Humantech ergonomics software solutions and conducts on-site workshops with global companies. She conducts musculoskeletal disorder risk assessments and redesigns workspaces.

Prior to joining VelocityEHS Humantech full-time, Kendra completed an internship for the company while finishing her degree.

Kendra received a Bachelor of Biomedical Engineering degree from the University of Guelph in Guelph, Ontario, Canada. She has achieved recognition as a Certified Professional Ergonomist (CPE).

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