

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS MAKING A COMMITMENT

Committed Hospitals are the Patient Safety Movement Foundation's collective body of like-minded visionary leaders that enable us to turn words into action. Committed Hospitals make our goal of reaching ZERO preventable deaths achievable.

Make a Commitment

Hospitals and healthcare organizations have the opportunity to positively impact patient safety by sharing a strategic approach or initiative to combat a patient safety challenge.

What does it mean to make a Commitment?

Commitments are designed to showcase how your hospital or healthcare institution is improving patient safety and reducing preventable death. Making a commitment means your hospital stands in solidarity with the Patient Safety Movement Foundation and believes the only way to reach ZERO™ is through the collective engagement of all hospitals. Making a commitment is an opportunity to showcase your organization's approach to solving a patient safety challenge. Whether your commitment is bold and addresses a large-scale global initiative, or your commitment shares a simple approach to address a local challenge, every commitment has the opportunity to save lives.

In 2019, the Patient Safety Movement Foundation announced 4,710 committed hospitals. Through Commitments made by these healthcare organizations 90,146 lives were saved.

How does the Patient Safety Movement Foundation measure lives saved?

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation requests that all submitted commitments be evidence-based, metrics-driven, and maintain a realistic and conservative perspective. Commitments should be measurable and project reasonable outcomes to maintain honesty and reduce overlap.

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation reviews every new Commitment to ensure that it does not overlap with an existing Commitment. Each Commitment is evaluated and monitored to ensure its impact can be realized. The Patient Safety Movement Foundation is a firm believer in transparency; therefore, all commitments are publically accessible on the Patient Safety Movement Foundation's website. Visit patientsafetymovement.org.

How does the Patient Safety Movement verify data from Commitments?

Data submitted by hospitals and healthcare organizations are self-reported. The Patient Safety Movement Foundation is a clearinghouse for this information with the goal of connecting like-minded leaders who share the goal of eliminating preventable death in hospitals.

What happens if a Commitment is not updated?

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation requires Commitments be updated annually. If a Commitment is not updated after one year, it is marked "stalled" and removed from the aggregated count of committed hospitals and lives saved.

Is there a cost to make a Commitment?

No, making a commitment is free.

What are the benefits of becoming a partner by making a Commitment?

By committing publicly, you will not only help your organization reach ZERO, but also encourage others to do the same. After all, what is measured improves and what is measured publicly improves faster.

- Strategize, learn, and contribute to high-level roundtable discussions among patient safety frontrunners.
- Press release tools and templates to announce your affiliation with the PSMF through the media and your website. Plaques are available for purchase at the cost of the PSMF.
- Discounted admission to attend the PSMF's annual World Patient Safety, Science & Technology Summit as well as an invitation to the chairman's private reception hosted by Founder, Joe Kiani.
- Chance to share your commitment on-stage at the World Patient Safety, Science & Technology Summit. **Please note** the PSMF selects a number of Partners for this opportunity.

To make a Commitment, create an account by following the steps below:

- Go to patientsafetymovement.org/register/
- Create an account as a **Healthcare Professional**
- Once you are in the dashboard select, "**Make a Commitment**" and complete the Commitment Form.

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation requests annual commitment updates as well as a report at the end of your commitment timeline.