

The Joint Commission & CMS Environment of Care Update 2017

Program Overview

This one-day program will provide valuable information for those individuals who are responsible for creating effective Environment of Care, Emergency Management and Life Safety programs and must understand the 2017 Joint Commission survey methodology, including the new SAFER scoring matrix and changes to the standards.

Information will also be provided regarding the adoption of the 2012 editions of the Life Safety Code and NFPA 99 by CMS and the Joint Commission and the impact that these changes have on compliance. In addition, a review of the newly adopted CMS standards for emergency management will also be discussed.

The program format will be structured so that the attendees will be able to implement a practical, continuously compliant program in healthcare facilities and achieve maximum performance while effectively preparing for unscheduled Joint Commission and CMS surveys.

Attendees will also receive specific guidance in how to understand and interpret the most serious "Top Ten" deficiencies and practical examples will include an explanation of "best practices" that will help to move your own program to the top and guarantee success. Handout materials will include 2017 Joint Commission survey checklists as well as forms, worksheets and sample policies that can be easily adapted to your own program. Sufficient time will also be provided during each section for questions and discussion.

Program Objectives

1. How the Joint Commission team will evaluate and score the surveys during 2017 using the SAFER matrix.
2. The impact of the 2012 editions of the Life Safety Code and NFPA 99 and how the new standards will affect your survey outcome.
3. How to meet the challenges of the discontinuation of the Joint Commission Statement of Conditions.
4. Newly-adopted Joint Commission standards for 2017, including the impact of the 2014 FGI document.
5. The major requirements in the new CMS Emergency Management standards.

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DATE/TIME

Thursday, April 20, 2017

8:30 AM –4:00 PM

Registration and Continental Breakfast begin at 8:00 AM

REGISTER NOW

LOCATION

Turf Valley

2700 Turf Valley Road
Ellicott City, MD 21042

PROGRAM FEE

Early Bird Member Discount \$249
(Register & Pay by March 20, 2017)

MHEI Member: \$349
(After March 20, 2017)

Non-MHEI Member: \$499

Who Should Attend

Healthcare staff from hospitals, ambulatory care centers, clinics, nursing homes, mental health facilities and other health-related organizations that are required to comply with the Joint Commission Physical Environment standards.



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6. How to avoid receiving recommendations from the Joint Commission related to the “Top Ten” Physical Environment deficiencies.
7. How to successfully prepare for the “five vulnerabilities”: The Survey Planning Session, Life Safety Surveyor Documentation Review, Facility Tour, the Physical Environment Interview and likely Physical Environment Tracers.
8. How to incorporate “best practices” and use proven ideas and techniques to enhance your existing programs and achieve survey success.

About the Speaker

Gary Slack, President, Healthcare Engineering Consultants

Gary Slack has more than 25 years of experience in the health care field in areas of teaching, research, clinical engineering and technology, and regulatory management. He has worked in the regulatory compliance area with hundreds of health care institutions in the public and private sectors and also has developed and provided Joint Commission “EC” seminars for the American Society for Healthcare Engineering, state hospital associations, as well as regional, state, and local hospital organizations. Gary has published many articles and written or contributed to five books that focus on “Environment of Care”- related topics.

Which individuals will benefit from this training?

Accreditation coordinators, safety officers, risk managers, quality management and performance improvement directors, facility and engineering managers, directors of security, staff with hazardous materials and emergency management responsibilities, biomedical engineering managers, fire safety professionals in healthcare, infection control practitioners, and administrative and clinical staff who are responsible for or manage others with Environment of Care, Emergency Management and Life Safety responsibilities.



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