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**MEDIA ADVISORY: INNOVATORS, EXPERTS, AND MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS CONVENE
IN HOUSTON FOR IHI PATIENT SAFETY CONGRESS**

WHO: The [Institute for Healthcare Improvement](http://www.ihim.org) (IHI), a leader in health and health care improvement worldwide, and hundreds of patient safety officers and staff; physicians, nurses, pharmacists, and other clinicians on the front lines of care; risk management and quality professionals; health care executives; patients and patient advocates; students; researchers and policymakers; and industry representatives, all focused on solutions.

WHAT: IHI Patient Safety Congress

WHEN: Wednesday, May 15 – Friday, May 17, 2019

WHERE: Marriott Marquis Houston
1777 Walker Street
Houston, TX 77010

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The annual IHI Patient Safety Congress reflects the health care industry's ongoing attention to the safety of patients and the workforce as a core component of high-quality health care. As health care delivery extends beyond hospitals to outpatient settings, long-term care facilities, and the home, this meeting offers one of the most comprehensive and practical ways to learn about best safety practices across the care continuum, new staffing models, and how to build on the work of exemplar organizations. Recognized by the health care industry as a must-attend event for those seeking to provide smarter, safer care, the 2019 IHI Patient Safety Congress offers solutions to timely challenges for the field, such as reshaping mental health care for youth, achieving greater levels of patient engagement, improving perinatal outcomes, and minimizing the use of opioids for pain management.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS:

- Thought-provoking keynote presentations from **J.R. Martinez**, a retired US Army Veteran, actor, and *New York Times* best-selling author of *Full of Heart: My Story of Survival, Strength, and Spirit*; **Jennifer Arnold, MD**, Medical Director, Center for Medical Simulation and Innovative Education, Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital, who is also known for her appearance with her family on the

TLC television program, *The Little Couple*; **Derek Feeley**, President and CEO, IHI, who will lead a keynote session on safety culture featuring **Gary Kaplan, MD**, Chairman and CEO of Virginia Mason Health System, and **Patti Harvey, RN, CPHQ**, Senior Vice President, Quality, Regulatory, Clinical Operations Support, Kaiser Permanente; and **Trey Coffey, MD**, staff pediatrician and Medical Officer for Patient Safety, The Hospital for Sick Children, and Associate Clinical Director, Children’s Hospitals Solutions for Patient Safety, who will discuss “Hot Topics” in patient safety research over the past year.

- Four full-day, hands-on immersion workshops, focusing on pain management as a patient safety issue; human factors and safe systems; implementing and sustaining high-reliability principles in health care; and preparing for the Certified Professional in Patient Safety credential.
- 30 general conference workshops organized into [six topic tracks](#):
 - Advancing Safety Science
 - Ambulatory and Care Outside the Hospital
 - Culture of Safety
 - Learning Systems
 - Safety and Equity for Vulnerable Populations
 - Workforce Safety
- Immersive Learning & Simulation Center — in place of a traditional exhibit hall — which offers live, interactive health care simulations of relevant scenarios that clinicians face in their day-to-day work across care settings.

RSVP: To register for the IHI Congress, visit ihi.org/congress

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About the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) is an independent not-for-profit organization based in Boston, Massachusetts, USA. For more than 25 years, IHI has used improvement science to advance and sustain better outcomes in health and health systems across the world. IHI brings awareness of safety and quality to millions, catalyzes learning and the systematic improvement of care, develops solutions to previously intractable challenges, and mobilizes health systems, communities, regions, and nations to reduce harm and deaths. IHI collaborates with a growing community to spark bold, inventive ways to improve the health of individuals and populations. IHI generates optimism, harvests fresh ideas, and supports anyone, anywhere who wants to profoundly change health and health care for the better. Learn more at ihi.org.

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