

**23rd ANNUAL NORTHWEST PATIENT SAFETY CONFERENCE**  
**DAY 1 – Thursday, October 15, 2026**      *All times Pacific Time*

| October 15th              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| Welcome & Opening Keynote |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 7:45 - 9:00               | Advancing Health in Turbulent Times<br>Fireside Chat<br><br>Jerome Adams, MD<br>20th U.S. Surgeon General                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:00 – 9:15               | Transition Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Breakout Sessions A       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 9:15 – 10:15              | A1.<br><br>Co-Producing Safer Care Through Shared Knowledge: Adapting, Implementing, and Evaluating Interprofessional Patient- and Family-Centered Rounds to Improve Safety and Experience<br><br>Erin Blakeney, PhD, RN<br>UW Medicine | A2.<br><br>Hidden in Plain Sight: Amplifying the Signals in Your Patient Safety Data<br><br>Eileen Kasda<br>Christine Robson<br>Asa Adadey<br>SafeTower/Johns Hopkins | A3.<br><br>From Staffing Shortages to Safety Solutions: Optimizing Nurse–Patient Alignment Through the Synergy Tool<br><br>Farinaz Havaei, PhD, RN<br>University of British Columbia |
| 10:15 – 10:30             | Transition Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Keynote 2                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 10:30 – 11:30             | How Can We Accelerate the Trajectory of Safety Progress in Healthcare<br><br>Terry Fairbanks, MD<br>MedStar Health                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11:30 – 11:45             | Transition Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| Keynote 3                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 11:45 – 12:55             | From Cockpit to Bedside: Building and Sustaining a Culture of Safety<br><br>Ben Clayton, CEO<br>Life Flight Network                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 12:55 – 1:00              | Day 1 Closing Remarks   Steve Levy, WPSC Executive Director                                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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| October 16th                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
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| Welcome                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| Health Equity: Innovation in Patient Safety Award Winner Presentation:<br>Community Health Plan of Washington |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| Keynote 4                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| 7:45 – 9:00                                                                                                   | You can hear me, but are you listening? CRPs as a response to harm:<br><i>Has anything changed?</i><br><br>Tom Gallagher, MD, UW Medicine; Jeff Goldenberg, MD & Naomi Kirtner, Talia's Voice;<br>Caitlin Harrington, MD, JD; Lauge Sokol-Hessner, MD, UW Medicine |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| 9:00 – 9:15                                                                                                   | Transition Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| Breakout Sessions B                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| 9:15 – 10:15                                                                                                  | B1.<br><br>Practical Strategies to Build Vaccine Confidence<br><br>Lori Handy, MD<br><br>Children's Hospital of Philadelphia                                                                                                                                       | B2<br><br>Beyond the NHSN Definitions: Looking at harm and infection prevention surveillance with a new lens<br><br>Catherine Kroll<br>PeaceHealth | B3.<br><br>Did you Catch That? Changing Culture through Good Catch Program<br><br>Jessica Yanny<br>Kindred         |
| 10:15 – 10:30                                                                                                 | Transition Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| Breakout Sessions C                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |
| 10:30 – 11:45                                                                                                 | C1.<br><br>Let's Talk to Clients: Integrating a Patient Voice Framework in Mental Health as a Foundation for Patient Safety<br><br>Rishika Selvakumar<br>University of British Columbia                                                                            | C2.<br><br>Electronic Tools in Infection Prevention: Practical Applications and Lessons Learned<br><br>Shruti Gohil, MD<br>UC Irvine               | C3.<br><br>SMART Continual Readiness Program<br><br>Ivy Dacones<br>Catherine Cunningham<br>St. Lukes Health System |
| 11:45                                                                                                         | Conference Adjourned                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                    |

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**Attendees will request CE credits via a conference survey sent following the conference or via a form on the recorded conference website.**