

## Successfully Improving Hospital Quality Across the U.S.: *AHA Panel Discussion on National and Local Efforts*



**WHAT:** Hospitals are leading the way to enhance patient care through cutting-edge initiatives to improve overall quality and safety. Through partnerships with groups such as the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), hospitals are cutting infection rates and minimizing risk to patients. Join us for a lively panel discussion where participants will review tools and techniques used on both the national and local levels to provide the best patient care possible.

**MODERATOR:** Rich Umbdenstock, President and CEO, AHA

**PANELISTS:** **Maulik Joshi, DrPH**, Senior Vice President, AHA and President, Health Research & Educational Trust (HRET)  
**Carolyn Clancy, MD**, Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)  
**Jonathan B. Perlin, MD, PhD, MSHA, FACP, FACMI**, President, Clinical & Physician Services and Chief Medical Officer, Hospital Corporation of America  
**LeAnn Swanson, MPH**, Vice President, Education and Quality Services, Arizona Hospital Association  
**Harry Alberti, MD**, CMO/Vice President, Medical Affairs Verde Valley Medical Center (Cottonwood, Ariz.)  
**Betsy Lee**, Director, Indiana Patient Safety Center  
**Martin Padgett**, President/CEO of Clark Memorial Hospital (Jeffersonville, Ind.)

**WHERE:** National Press Club  
529 14th Street NW  
Washington DC 20045

**WHEN:** Thursday, January 24, 2013 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. ET

**RSVP:** If you plan to attend in person, please RSVP to [jschleman@aha.org](mailto:jschleman@aha.org). This event is free and open to the public.

The panel also will be broadcast live via webcast.  
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***Afternoon refreshments will be provided.***

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