

# Patient Safety First... a California Partnership for Health



## Hospital Participation Agreement

2015-2016

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(HOSPITAL NAME)

Agrees to participate with the Hospital Council and National Health Foundation (NHF) in

### Patient Safety First...a California Partnership for Health (PSF)

This agreement is for one year with the option to extend it for one or more additional years contingent on sustained project funding.

**Project Components and Activities:** Detailed description of project components and participant activities/responsibilities are located on the back of this Participation Agreement.

**Confidentiality:** NHF and Hospital Council will keep confidential all data and information collected from hospital participants. Specifically,

- No hospital-specific data or proprietary information (such as business plans, strategies, protocols, policies, procedures, or educational materials) will be shared with another party unless the hospital 1) agrees to voluntarily share data/information during a PSF meeting/webinar or 2) provides PSF with written permission.
- Information that the hospital shares with NHF and (Insert Region) will not be used for purposes other than for participation in PSF, unless approved by the hospital.
- Aggregate outcomes, both PSF-wide and region specific, will be shared in reports for program stakeholders and will be used for PR purposes.
- For purposes of reporting to stakeholders and for PR, the hospital grants permission to release its name as an active participant in PSF.
- For purposes of enabling Anthem (PSF funder) to determine the direct quality and cost outcomes derived by PSF, the hospital grants permission to release what initiatives it is participating in to Anthem. However, no hospital specific data will ever be released to Anthem or any other entity.

By signing this document, I agree to the above terms and conditions.

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Name of Hospital


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CEO/Designee Signature

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Date

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Printed Name

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Hospital Council

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Name of Region

  
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CEO/Designee Signature

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Jenna Fischer, VP Quality and Patient Safety  
Printed Name

## PSF Fact Sheet

Patient Safety First...a California Partnership for Health ([www.nhfca.org/PSF](http://www.nhfca.org/PSF)) is a statewide partnership to improve patient safety and the quality of care provided by California hospitals by reducing healthcare costs and improving health outcomes for residents.

PSF Partners include Anthem Blue Cross, National Health Foundation, Hospital Association of Southern California, Hospital Council of Northern and Central California, Hospital Association of San Diego and Imperial Counties and participating hospitals. Together these partners will work collaboratively to achieve the 2015 PSF goals.

### 2015 Initiatives & Goals:

***Clostridium difficile (C. difficile):*** Decrease C. difficile by 10% from baseline (previous year data)

***Sepsis Mortality:*** Decrease sepsis mortality by 10% from baseline

***Early Elective Deliveries:*** Achieve early elective delivery rate of <=3% of deliveries between 37 & 38.6 weeks

***Cesarean Section Rate:*** Achieve a rate of <= 23.9% for Low-risk First-birth (NTSV) Cesarean Birth Rate

***Obstetrical Hemorrhage:*** Achieve no cases with 4 or more units of RBC

***Surgical Safety/ Surgical or Invasive Procedure Serious Reportable "Never" Events:***

- Eliminate unintended retained surgical sponges and other foreign objects in a patient after surgery or other invasive procedure
- Eliminate surgery or invasive procedure performed on the wrong site
- Eliminate surgery or invasive procedure performed on the wrong patient
- Eliminate wrong surgical or other invasive procedure performed on a patient
- Eliminate intraoperative or immediate postoperative/post-procedure death in an ASA Class 1 patient

### Benefits for Hospitals:

- Access to free in-person meetings and webinars where hospitals will learn from experts and peers about successful strategies they can adopt to address barriers to improvement and accelerate improvement. A tenet of the learning collaborative improvement model is *all teach, all learn*. If your hospital has had success in one or more of the targeted PSF initiatives, we want to recognize your success and learn from your experience.
- Hospitals should achieve reductions in C. difficile, Sepsis mortality, Early Elective Deliveries, Cesarean Section rates, OB Hemorrhage and work towards eliminating incidence of Retained Surgical Sponges/towels as well as surgical never events. This will translate into fewer adverse events, fewer patient complications, and reduced lengths of stay, which can translate into a positive financial impact.
- Access to the PSF web-based data collection system where hospitals will enter their data and can track real-time outcomes. Hospitals will be able to see how their rate compares to that of their region and state and print out data graphs for their own QI use.
- Hospitals that enter data consistently will be recognized on Anthem's Provider Finder website with a special demarcation indicating their involvement with PSF.

### Hospital Participant Responsibilities:

- Send staff to the Regional in-person meetings and attend webinars.
- Submit quarterly data through the PSF web-based data collection system for the PSF measures your hospital is working on.
- For the Early Elective Delivery, Cesarean Section Rate and OB Hemorrhage measures hospitals participating in the *California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative's (CMQCC) California Partnership for Maternal Safety* and/or *CMQCC's California Maternal Data Center (CMDC)* initiative can confer rights to share data with NHF so that data submission is not duplicated.
- Ensure leadership supports staff actively working on making improvement efforts for the targeted PSF initiatives.

