



# Virginia Patient Safety Organization

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## About Virginia Patient Safety Organization

**VIRGINIA PSO** is a component organization of the Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association and the Virginia Hospital Research & Education Foundation created under the authority of the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005.

Virginia PSO was officially listed by the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality as a federal Patient Safety Organization on September 11, 2013.

Virginia PSO provides a forum for voluntary reporting of patient safety events in a protected environment to collaboratively analyze and learn from events.

Virginia PSO has the capacity to identify areas for improvement and promote best practices designed to reduce or eliminate patient harm on a wide-scale basis throughout the state.

Under the protection of the Patient Safety Act, Virginia PSO serves PSO members directly, with support services provided by ECRI Institute PSO, to provide PSO members with tools to collaborate with other organizations, share learning from events and near misses, and improve quality and patient safety.



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## Benefits of Virginia PSO Participation



### Data Aggregation & Collective Learning

The PSO structure provides uniform collection of adverse event data, including root cause analyses, for the purpose of analysis and identification of improvement opportunities across multiple organizations, both statewide and nationally.

### Demonstrate Commitment To Improvement

Participation in a PSO demonstrates your facility's accountability for safety improvement. By collaborating with other PSO participants you will have the opportunity to proactively improve patient safety.

### Extensive Legal Protection

The Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 establishes strong confidentiality and privilege protections for information that clinicians and provider organizations develop when conducting quality and safety deliberations within a PSO.

### Regulatory Compliance

The Affordable Care Act obligates health plans participating in health insurance exchanges to ensure that hospitals greater than 50 beds with whom they contract demonstrate meaningful compliance with patient safety standards. PSO participation supports compliance with these standards by providing a structured process for patient safety data collection and analysis.



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## Support of ECRI Institute PSO



**VIRGINIA PSO** is supported by ECRI Institute PSO. Their analytics team comprises an inter-disciplinary staff of physicians; nurses; biomedical engineers; instructional designers; quality, legal, and risk management professionals; individuals with safety, education, science, and engineering backgrounds; statisticians; data analysts; and information technology experts.

### Providing Feedback

ECRI Institute PSO works with PSO members to provide feed-back and analysis about the patient safety data submitted by participating providers. The feedback will help providers identify strategies to improve patient safety and healthcare quality using:



- ❖ Web-based data collection with standardized data formats;
- ❖ Automated reports on events submitted by members and on aggregated events at the state and national levels;
- ❖ PSO Navigator™, ECRI Institute PSO's quarterly advisory, which provides aggregated events at the state and national levels;
- ❖ Independent critique of root-cause analyses and other patient safety and quality analyses.

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**ECRI Institute's 40 Years of Experience**



ECRI Institute is Designated as an Evidence-Based Practice Center by the U.S. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

#### **ECRI Institute Experience**

- ❖ Analyzing more than two million patient safety event reports;
- ❖ Operating medical device reporting and evaluation systems and safety initiatives;
- ❖ Creating programs in patient safety, quality management, and related analytics;
- ❖ Assessing and investigating patient safety and risk accidents and events;
- ❖ Publishing authoritative risk reduction strategies and interactive tools.



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## Virginia PSO Members

Augusta Health

Bath Community Hospital

Carilion Clinic

Carilion Medical Center

Carilion Franklin Memorial Hospital

Carilion Giles Community Hospital

Carilion New River Valley Medical Center

Carilion Rockbridge Community Hospital

Carilion Tazewell Community Hospital

Carilion Outpatient Pharmacy Division

Centra Health

Centra Lynchburg General/Virginia Baptist Hospital

Centra Southside Community Hospital

Centra Bedford Memorial Hospital

Chesapeake Regional Medical Center

Chesapeake Ambulatory Division

Inova

Inova Alexandria Hospital

Inova Fairfax Hospital

Inova Fair Oaks Hospital

Inova Loudoun Hospital

Inova Mount Vernon Hospital

Mary Washington Healthcare

Mary Washington Hospital

Stafford Hospital

Riverside

Riverside Walter Reed Hospital

Riverside Doctors' Hospital Williamsburg

Riverside Regional Medical Center

Riverside Shore Memorial Hospital

Riverside Behavioral Health Center

Riverside Long Term Care Division

Riverside Ambulatory Division

Sentara Health

Sentara Halifax Regional Hospital

Sentara Martha Jefferson Hospital

Sentara Rockingham Memorial Hospital

Sentara Careplex Hospital

Sentara Leigh Hospital

Sentara Norfolk General Hospital

Sentara Northern Virginia Hospital

Sentara Obici Hospital

Sentara Princess Anne Hospital

Sentara Virginia Beach Hospital

Sentara Williamsburg Regional Medical Center

UVA Health

University of Virginia Medical Center

University of Virginia Transitional Care Hospital

UVA Community Health

Culpeper Medical Center

Haymarket Medical Center

Prince William Medical Center

Valley Health

Valley Health Hampshire Memorial Hospital (WV)

Valley Health Page Memorial Hospital

Valley Health Shenandoah Hospital

Valley Health War Memorial Hospital (WV)

Valley Health Warren Memorial Hospital

Valley Health Winchester Medical Center

VCU Health

VCU Medical Center

VCU Community Memorial

VCU Tappahannock Hospital

Virginia Hospital Center





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