

One Size Doesn't Fit All: Safe Care of the Very Large Patient

October 21, 2010 – 8:00 AM-5:00 PM
Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute, Spokane, Washington

After over 120 attendees came to our Portland conference in April, and we saw the enthusiasm of everyone around this topic, we knew we had to bring some of the topics and speakers to more of you...

"Has direct application to program development at our facility for safe patient handling – education, bedside practice, emergent care, equipment purchase, monitoring effectiveness."



Our autumn conference repeats a focus on the safe care of an important population: our patients with very large body size. Presentations and discussions will challenge participants' assumptions about how to best care for this population while also keeping staff safe, and will provide tools and methods that can be quickly put to use in participants' care settings. Topics include the effects of weight bias; safe care of the obese surgical patient; preventing injury to staff; ensuring safe physical environments; and maintaining skin integrity. Speakers include Connie Kirkpatrick, PhD (MultiCare Good Samaritan Hospital, Puyallup); Keith Bachman, MD (Kaiser Permanente, Portland); E. Patch Dellinger, MD (University of Washington Medical Center, Seattle); and Lynda Enos, RN, MS (Oregon Nurses Association).

"I learned so much and to think I have been in this field for over 10 years. It was a great conference..."
(from one of the Portland conference **speakers!**)

A draft agenda for October is available on our website and information about lodging and airport transportation will be available soon. This activity has been submitted to the [National Association for Healthcare Quality](#) for CPHQ CE hours.

"Excellent information for the evaluation of current equipment and practice."

The cost to attend this event is just \$125 for members of the Washington Patient Safety Coalition -- and only \$150 for all other attendees. Visit our [online registration site](#) today to reserve your space!

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