



WORLD ALLIANCE *for* PATIENT SAFETY

NEWSALERT

May 2007

LAUNCH OF NINE PATIENT SAFETY SOLUTIONS

[Nine patient safety solutions](#) to reduce the toll of health care-related harm affecting millions of patients daily, worldwide, will be launched on 2 May 2007, 9:30 AM, at the Washington Press Club, Washington, DC, USA. The solutions have been developed by the World Health Organization, together with The Joint Commission and Joint Commission International. The launch will see the participation of: Sir Liam Donaldson, Chair, World Alliance for Patient Safety, World Health Organization, Dr Cristina Beato, Deputy Director, Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr Dennis O'Leary, President, Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, Karen Timmons, President and CEO, Joint Commission International, Dr. Tebogo Kgosietsile Letlape, Immediate Past President, The World Medical Association, and Susan Sheridan, Co-Founder and President, Consumers Advancing Patient Safety.

Read more:

http://www.who.int/patientsafety/events/07/02_05_2007/en/index.html

UPCOMING MEETINGS

[The First Regional Global Patient Safety Challenge Workshop in the South East Asia](#)

20-22 June 2007 - Bangkok, Thailand. The workshop aims to review the status of health care-associated infections in the South East Asian region and orient participants on the availability of WHO strategies and tools to reduce health care-associated infections. The workshop will outline a set of action points that countries can adopt as part of an integrated strategy to reduce health care-associated infection at the facility level.

Read more:

http://www.who.int/patientsafety/events/07/20_06_2007/en/index.html

RESEARCH

[Research for Patient Safety: Annual Meeting of the Advisory Council](#)

1 May 2007 - Rockville, MD, USA. The 2007 Advisory Council for Research meeting was hosted at the Headquarters of the Agency for Health Care Research and Quality (AHRQ). The Council, currently chaired by Dr Carolyn Clancy, Director of AHRQ, reviewed the last achievements of the Research Programme of the World Alliance for Patient Safety and discussed and approved the work plan for the near future.

Read more:

http://www.who.int/patientsafety/events/07/01_05_2007/en/index.html

PATIENTS FOR PATIENT SAFETY

[Patients for Patient Safety Regional Workshop](#): 26-28 March 2007 - Cairo, Egypt. This was the second of the planned workshops that Patients for Patient

Safety is undertaking across all 6 of the WHO geographic regions. The event brought together 30 participants from 8 countries within the Eastern Mediterranean region, and helped create a network of consumer champions in the Eastern Mediterranean who are actively engaged in contributing their experience, wisdom and knowledge to improving patient safety. The meeting culminated in several discussions around the topic of patient safety with particular emphasis on the engagement of patients in shaping the health care system.

Read more:

http://www.who.int/patientsafety/events/07/28_03_2007/en/index.html