



2024

Iowa Hospital Association
WEBINAR SERIES

Physical Environment, Environment of Care and Life Safety Code Survey Issues

10 a.m.-Noon Thursday, June 20

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The number of deficiencies in the physical environment condition of participation and the environment-of-care standards has continued to increase. This online seminar will review commonly cited physical environment and life-safety code deficiencies in hospitals. CMS updates on expectations for ligature-resistant environment, categorical waivers, air pressure and humidity in surgical suites also will be discussed.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Describe and identify common life-safety code deficiencies.
- Describe how and when relative humidity may be lowered in anesthetizing locations.
- Explain how to avoid common deficiencies.
- Explain how to use a categorical waiver.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

- CEOs.
- Chief medical officers.
- Chief nursing officers.
- Compliance officers and legal counsel.
- Department directors.
- Infection control officers.
- Network liaisons.
- Nurses.
- Physicians.
- Quality improvement staff.
- Risk managers.
- Safety officers.
- Trustees.

SPEAKER

Nancy Ruzicka is a consultant on state and federal rules, regulations and interpretative guidelines. Ruzicka previously worked as director of integrity and compliance and privacy official at MercyOne Des Moines and director of regulatory compliance at UnityPoint Health-Des Moines. She also has more than 20 years of experience with the Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals. Ruzicka holds master's degrees in health law and business

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administration and a bachelor's degree in pharmacy, all from Drake University. She is certified in health care compliance and maintains her Iowa pharmacy license.

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