

Patient Rights Part 1: Abuse, Restraints and Seclusion

10 a.m.-Noon March 9

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Hospitals must comply with the conditions of participation of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. According to CMS and accrediting organizations such as Det Norske Veritas and The Joint Commission, the patient rights and responsibilities condition of participation consistently ranks among the top condition-level deficiencies cited. Within that condition, most noncompliance issues arise from the regulations governing abuse, restraints and seclusion.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Describe abuse investigation requirements.
- Describe the documentation requirements for restraints and seclusion.
- Explain CMS definitions of abuse, restraints and seclusion.
- Explain the restraint death reporting requirements.

INTENDED AUDIENCE

This program is for hospitals, health systems and anyone involved with compliance regulations and standards, including:

- Behavioral health and psychiatric staff
- CEOs
- CMOs
- CNOs
- Compliance officers and legal counsel
- Emergency department staff
- Nurses
- Physicians
- Quality improvement staff
- Risk managers
- Safety officers
- The Joint Commission liaisons

SPEAKER

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