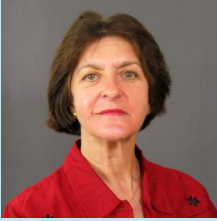


## Keynote Speakers

**Christine Pontus, MS, RN, COHN-S/CCM.**  
Associate Director Health & Safety, Massachusetts Nurse Association



**Jonathan Rosen, MS, CIH, FAIHA,** Principal Industrial Hygiene / Safety & Health Consultant, AJ Rosen & Associates, LLC



**Presentation: The intersection of Occupational Hazards for Nurses, Safe Staffing, and Infection Control.**

In this session we will review key occupational hazards confronting Registered Nurses and detail the effect they have on the wellbeing of nurses and patients. Healthcare has a greater prevalence of occupational injury and illness than manufacturing, construction, or mining. The negative impact of inadequate RN staffing on several key patient outcomes has been documented in the peer reviewed literature. However, the impact of Healthcare Acquired Infections on Registered Nurses and healthcare workers is not currently being tracked and research on the effectiveness of occupational control measures is sparse.

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## Conference Objectives

- Attendees will recognize the importance of healthcare staff and patient advocacy in the prevention of adverse events
- Attendees will recognize how infectious disease place both patients and staff at risk, constructing the intersection between occupational health & safety with patient safety initiatives.
- Attendees will recognize the importance of good communication & patient access to their medical records, to improve both the understanding and acceptance of medical care along with the prevention of adverse events.
- Attendees will be able to explain the importance of having patient advocates on policy boards and recognize how they bring a different and important perspective.

## Conference Registration

Registration desk opens at 11:45 am. Conference starts at 1:00 pm and ends at 8:30 pm.

**Continuing Education:** Approved hours for the following specialties:

- ⇒ 5.25 Hours for Occupational Therapists.
- ⇒ 6.26 Hours for Social Workers.
- ⇒ 5.74 KBN Contact Hours for Nursing (KBN # 1-0001-12-19-07)

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## Conference Topics

### Lisa Danielpour. How OpenNotes and the Patient Portal Improve Safety and Outcomes.



The Personal Health Record and OpenNotes can provide essential information, transparency and tools to improve patient safety and health outcomes. We know patients and family leave office visits or hospital stays not retaining much of the information shared. Giving patients and family access to OpenNotes – full chart notes through the online patient portal – offers a holistic understanding often not covered by a visit summary. OpenNotes ensures everyone is on the same page and that the care plan is clear, even when families and clinicians are not in agreement.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, speakers, topics and times may change without notice.

**To register go to:**  
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or contact the conference coordinator, Cathy Kavanagh, at 606-425-7278.



**Registration Fee (non-refundable but transferable):** Conference Attendance: \$25 including Supper by Cosi, Snacks & Continuing Education Credits.

### Patient Advocacy Joycelyn Elders , MD Former US Surgeon General. The Importance of Patient Advocacy.



### Patient Advocate Presentations

1. **Rebecca Krall** - What Happens When an Asplenic Patient Is Bitten by a Dog?: A Caregiver's Perspective on Health Care Communication Issues.
2. **Jonathan Furman** - The need for better testing and safer drugs: What one person learned from his experience with quinolone antibiotics.
3. **Melissa Clarkson** - What happens after patient harm? Why one family from Kansas is fighting to stop the secrecy and start conversations.
4. **Lee Tilson** - Learning from mistakes: Preventing seduction into error.
5. **Sherry Culp** - The Impact of Nursing Facility Federal Regulation Changes on Consumers.
6. **Catherine Duff** - Current Status & Emerging Trends of Microbiota Transplantation.

### Jayne O'Donnell USA Today Investigative Reporter

What I've Learned Covering Patient Safety (and the Lessons It Holds for Safety Advocates)

