

2021 National Patient Safety Goals

June 2, 2021 - Did you know MEDITECH has [EHR Excellence Program Toolkits](#) and other tools to help organizations meet [The Joint Commission's 2021 National Patient Safety Goals](#)? As the following table illustrates, MEDITECH's Electronic Health Record (EHR) provides tools to help organizations increase patient safety and meet many of The Joint Commission's goals.

The Joint Commission 2021 National Patient Safety Goals	MEDITECH Tools
Goal 1: Improve the accuracy of patient identification.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bedside Verification - Verify The Five Rights Through Scanning • TAR Functionality & Patient Safety Tutorial • Transfusion Administration Record (TAR) Training Guide • Expanse Phlebotomy User Guide
Goal 2: Improve the effectiveness of communication among caregivers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical Notifications/Notices • Rule For Clinical Notifications To Trigger For Specific Procedures • Quick Start Guide - Electronic Health Record • Quick Start Guide - Order Management • Outreach Call List • Faxing LIS Reports Via Telecom • Workload: Setup To Ensure AMB Provider Notification Of Patient's Test Results • Indicator Scheme Build Guide
Goal 3: Improve the safety of using medications.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opioid Stewardship Toolkit • Integrated Medication Reconciliation Workflow Guide • Compound Verification • Patient Safety: Importance Of Reviewing Unconfirmed Home Medications During Medication Reconciliation • Creatinine Clearance Results For PHA
Goal 7: Reduce the risk of health care-associated infections.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI) Toolkit • Sepsis Management Toolkit • Expanse Antimicrobial Stewardship Toolkit

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multidrug-Resistant Organism (MDRO) Response & Containment Guidelines • Micro: MRSA & VRE Tracking • Patient Special Indicators • Quality and Surveillance Resources
Goal 9: Reduce the risk of patient harm resulting from falls.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDITECH's Expanse Fall Risk Management Toolkit
Goal 14: Prevent health care-associated pressure ulcers (decubitus ulcers).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quality & Surveillance Resources
Goal 15: The organization identifies safety risks inherent in its patient population.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MEDITECH's Depression Screening & Suicide Prevention Toolkit
Universal Protocol for Preventing Wrong Site, Wrong Procedure, Wrong Person Surgery.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RULE: Contrast Ordering - Utilizing Alerts To Assist With Delivery Of Optimal Patient Care • Rule: Print Requisition Based On Ordering Site • Rule: History Of Exposure To Iodinated Contrast When Ordering Contrast Imaging Procedure

For future reference, this information is also included in [Knowledge Base \(KB\) article 68281](#).

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