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Patient Safety Organization

The Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005 (Patient Safety Act) authorized the creation of **Patient Safety Organizations** (PSOs) and the development of Common Formats for the uniform reporting of patient safety events.

The THA PSO is a federally certified patient safety organization dedicated to advancing the safety and quality of patient care. Its programs and activities provide a legally protected environment for the voluntary reporting and analysis of patient safety data, helping healthcare organizations identify safety risks, share lessons learned, and implement strategies to reduce preventable harm and improve patient outcomes.



THA PSO membership includes healthcare organizations across Texas and neighboring states, representing a diverse range of care settings, from large health systems to small rural and critical access hospitals, clinics, and outpatient care centers. This variety in membership creates a valuable network for collaboration, shared learning, and the exchange of best practices, strengthening collective efforts to advance patient safety and quality across the care continuum.

THE THA PSO OFFERS ITS MEMBERS:

- Full privileges and confidentiality provide by the Patient Safety Act
- Access to a secure event reporting platform for the collection and aggregation of patient safety information
- Quarterly in-person "Safe Table" events for the confidential discussion of actual events
- De-identified summary virtual review of each Safe Table for those unable to attend
- Shared tools and resources to improve patient safety
- Access to patient safety experts and consultation
- Legal and regulatory briefs and timely patient safety advisories

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