



# Patient Safety

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zero preventable deaths by 2020

Over 12,000 patients die unnecessarily in U.S. hospitals each year from the accidental removal of their life-sustaining breathing tube, known as Unplanned Extubation.

**Our mission is to eliminate  
these deaths by 2020.**



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“ If you can’t measure it,  
you can’t improve it.”

Peter Drucker

## Metrics

Rate of unplanned extubation in  
patients undergoing mechanical  
ventilation via endotracheal tube

### Numerator:

Number of incidences of unplanned  
extubation in patients mechanically  
ventilated via an endotracheal tube

### Denominator:

Total number of mechanical ventilation days

Make Your Commitment by visiting  
[patientsafetymovement.org](http://patientsafetymovement.org)

Take the first step toward eliminating preventable  
deaths from unplanned extubation by knowing what  
the rate of unplanned extubation is in your hospital.

## Track the data listed below on every intubated patient undergoing mechanical ventilation

### Unplanned Extubation Data Sheet

#### Patient Demographics

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M  F  Weight (lbs.): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Information on Intubation

Patient Intubated: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Endotracheal Tube (ETT): Type: Standard ETT  Subglottic Suction ETT

Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Depth: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Information on Extubation

Patient Extubated: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Type: Planned  Unplanned

If Extubation was Unplanned:

Cause: Self Extubation  Accidental Extubation (Must be Witnessed)

Was patient restrained? Yes  No  Was patient sedated? Yes  No

Was reintubation required Yes  No  Was reintubation successful? Yes  No

#### Complications

Pneumonia (VAP, Aspiration)  Date of Dx: \_\_\_\_\_

Brain Injury

Death

Other  Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

You can help your hospital reach **ZERO**  
preventable deaths from Unplanned Extubation.

# Make a Commitment

The Movement is not just about information,  
it's about **ACTION!**

Make a commitment to **ZERO** by implementing best practices  
to eliminate preventable deaths from unplanned extubation.

The Actionable Patient Safety Solution (APSS) for  
Airway Safety can be found at the following link:

[PATIENTSAFETYMOVEMENT.ORG/CHALLENGE/AIRWAY-SAFETY](https://PATIENTSAFETYMOVEMENT.ORG/CHALLENGE/AIRWAY-SAFETY)

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