Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy Argentina
Commitment to Action

Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy (IECS) Argentina is pleased to announce its support of the Patient Safety Movement Foundation (PSMF) and its mission to eliminate preventable deaths in hospitals across the globe.

In Argentina and in Latin America, efforts aimed at improving the quality and safety of medical care are still insufficient. Beyond the reach of the fairness, prioritization, infrastructure, and funding issues that affect each industry or organization, the truth is that Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety is not a priority, neither in the Argentine nor in the Latin American health agenda. Unfortunately, unlike other countries, there is scant evidence about these issues because we lack the information necessary to envisage the size of the problem. For this reason, we can only guess the impact based on data from other locations and assume that, possibly, in some aspects the impact on our region is even more profound. Mutual collaboration and effective implementation programs are the only way to reverse this situation. This is why we develop educational and technical cooperation programs and research projects to create and spread experiences aimed at improving quality of care and patient safety.

As a committed organization, Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy Argentina will demonstrate alliance with the PSMF by the following:

1. Spreading the PSMF’s vision and mission to Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy Argentina members and network.
2. Annually disseminating the PSMF’s Actionable Patient Safety Solutions (APSS) to members.
3. Participating in the PSMF’s APSS workgroups.
4. Asking members who are leaders working in hospitals to implement APSS, or share their own successful processes, to eliminate preventable deaths. And, make their own commitments to action to the Patient Safety Movement Foundation.

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5. Staying in touch regarding upcoming events, educational opportunities and speaking engagements pertaining to either parties. (i.e. PSMF’s Annual World Patient Safety, Science & Technology Summit)

6. Learning from the PSMF how to engage patients and family members in their care, spreading this through Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy Argentina’s network.

We at IECS Argentina are excited to announce our commitment to the Patient Safety Movement Foundation to reduce preventable death and improve patient safety.

Signed,

Institute for Clinical Effectiveness and Health Policy Argentina

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