

# CAPTURE Falls

Collaboration and Proactive Teamwork Used to Reduce

**Quarterly Collaborative Call #44**

**July 26th, 2022**

**2:00 – 2:30 p.m. CT**

**Topic:**

**Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety and CAPTURE Falls Collaboration**

# AGENDA

- Housekeeping
- Overview of the Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety and the Federal Patient Safety Act



# Housekeeping



## 1. Event Reporting

- Quarter 2 reports coming soon!
- Contact us with REDCap issues (add users, remove users, password resets) and special report requests.
- Continue reporting to help facilitate learning from fall events and track your outcomes!



# Housekeeping



2. Collaborative Program to Address Falls Risk Reduction in Rural Health Clinics (RHCs)
  - Information sent in late June to CAH CEOs about potential for new QI collaborative focused on fall risk reduction in RHC settings
  - We are currently meeting with interested RHCs to learn about areas of need and a feasible structure and timeline for this collaborative program
  - Goal to begin pilot program with a small number of RHCs in September 2022



# Housekeeping



3. National Fall Prevention Awareness Week September 18-24, 2022
  - National campaign observed on the first day of fall to increase awareness of falls and fall injury prevention
  - Many hospitals have used this week to draw attention to the positive work you do for fall risk reduction in both inpatient and outpatient settings
  - Toolkit of promotional ideas available through the National Council on Aging <https://www.ncoa.org/article/falls-prevention-awareness-week-toolkit>



# NCPS and CAPTURE Falls Collaboration

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# Objectives

1. Describe the Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety and UNMC CAPTURE Falls programs and relationship
2. Outline key terminology and general information regarding Patient Safety Organizations (PSOs)
3. Identify privacy and confidentiality protections granted by the Patient Safety Act
4. Discuss the benefits of collaboration among quality and patient safety improvement programs to enhance protections and shared learning
5. Describe next steps in our partnership to share learning about falls and improve patient safety



# Purpose of a Patient Safety Organization

What is a PSO?

Patient safety activities

Patient Safety Work Product (PSWP)

Benefits to working with a PSO



# Who is NCPS?

## The **Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety** PSO

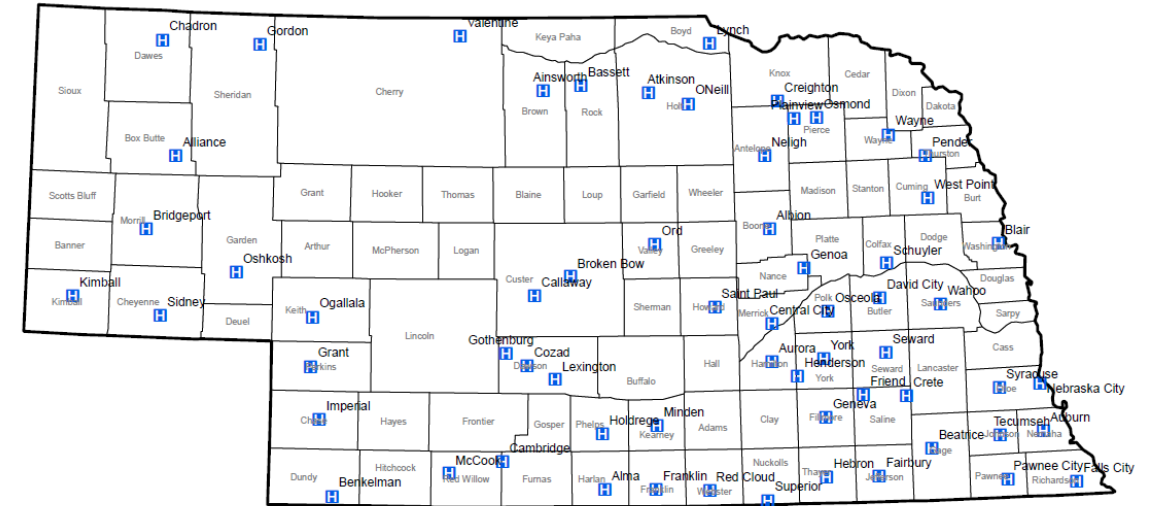
- Formed in 2006 as a component organization of
  - Nebraska Academy of Physician Assistants
  - Nebraska Hospital Association
  - Nebraska Medical Association
  - Nebraska Nurses Association
  - Nebraska Pharmacists Association
- Listed with AHRQ since 2009
- Workforce of 2.5 FTEs
  - Executive Director
  - Patient Safety Program Director
  - Patient Safety Data Analyst



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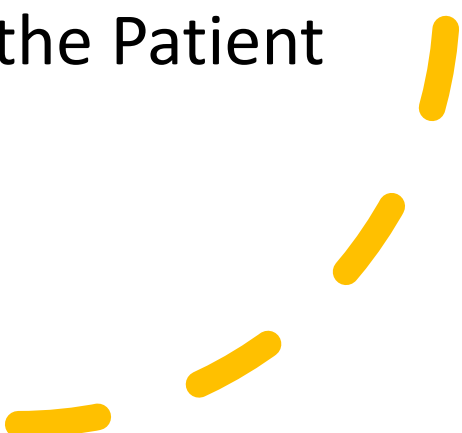
## NCPS members:

- 70 hospitals, 1 ambulatory care center, and 2 ambulatory surgery centers in Nebraska and western Iowa
  - 46 of these members are Critical Access Hospitals
- All physicians and physician assistants licensed in Nebraska
- Located within the University of Nebraska Medical Center in Omaha, Nebraska via a services agreement for workspace, HR, IT, etc.
- NCPS has a longstanding informal relationship with the UNMC College of Allied Health Professions and the CAPTURE Falls team





## Privacy and Confidentiality Protections

- Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005
  - Purpose is to encourage providers to work with PSOs to improve patient safety and reduce incidence of events
  - Administered by AHRQ with confidentiality and protections enforced by the OCR
  - Specific protections provided by the Patient Safety Act
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# Benefits of Collaboration Among State-Level Quality and Safety Programs

## NCPS Benefits

- NCPS organization members maintain fall event data (PSWP) within PSES
- NCPS members improve their fall reduction programs through participation with CAPTURE Falls
- Opportunity to promote CAPTURE Falls project and resources

## Mutual Benefits

- Collaboration, not competition or confusion between programs with similar goals
- Avoid duplication of reporting effort for hospitals
- Improve patient safety without fear of discovery

## UNMC Benefits

- Opportunity to partner with a reputable state organization (NCPS)
- Provide protections of federal Patient Safety Act to CAPTURE Falls hospitals
- Promote our program to hospitals yet to engage and those who may want to re-engage with CAPTURE Falls



# Future Steps

- ✓ Communicate partnership to UNMC CAPTURE Falls participants and NCPS membership
- ✓ Signed agreements between hospitals and UNMC CAPTURE Falls to disclose and acknowledge NCPS/UNMC CAPTURE Falls partnership
- ✓ Establish schedule and process to share fall event data
- ✓ Collaborate on educational opportunities for NCPS members specific to fall risk reduction, including Safe Tables
- ✓ Collaborate on information to be shared specific to fall risk reduction in NCPS annual report



# NCPS and CAPTURE Falls Collaboration

## Questions?

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# Reminders

1. Future Collaborative Calls/Educational Opportunities:
  - October 25, 2022; 2:00-2:30pm CT
  - Topic – TBA
    - ***What would you like to discuss?***
2. Looking for fall risk reduction resources?

**Click here:** <https://www.unmc.edu/patient-safety/capturefalls/index.html>

Still can't find what you are looking for? Let us know what we are missing!



# Assistance is an email away!

Contact us for more information about:

- Fall risk reduction best practices: Dawn ([dvenema@unmc.edu](mailto:dvenema@unmc.edu))
- Team performance, quality improvement and implementation challenges: Vicki ([victoria.kennel@unmc.edu](mailto:victoria.kennel@unmc.edu))
- Know Falls and Online Learning (REDCap): Anne ([askinner@unmc.edu](mailto:askinner@unmc.edu))
- General questions or not sure?: [CAPTURE.Falls@unmc.edu](mailto:CAPTURE.Falls@unmc.edu)

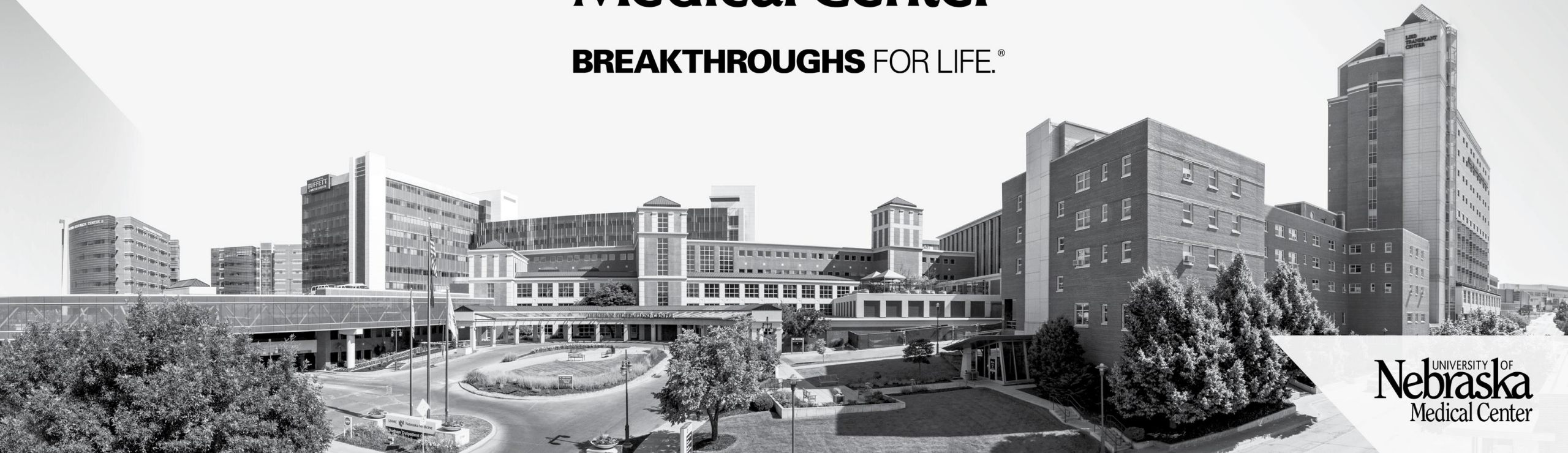






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