IHI-convened Steering Committee’s National Action Plan aims to advance patient safety

A note from Dr. Ana McKee : I am pleased to share with you the Institute for Healthcare Improvement’s new National Action Plan. I participated on the National Steering Committee,
composed of 27 influential federal agencies, safety organizations and experts, and patient and family advocates. The plan highlights health equity as a core principle of its recommendations and, as such, is relevant to the current pandemic which has shown the consequences of inequities that exist in health care.

In other news ...

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The Evolution of Medical Distancing and Perceptions of Pandemic Risk: It’s amazing how quickly our hospital has changed and keeps changing. It feels like overnight we shifted from “masks discouraged” to “masks permitted” to “masks required” – and now “face shields or goggles required.”

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New white paper from GEDSA: Focusing Support on Safe Enteral Connectors: GEDSA highlights the background, research and critical decisions

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Family of ER doctor who died by
that lead to global adoption of the ISO 80369-3 standard series connector, commonly known as ENFit®, and the importance of converting to the new ISO standard.

**Multimedia Features**

**New podcast: Board oversight of quality and patient safety: A conversation with The Joint Commission**

In this episode of the Governing Health podcast, The Joint Commission’s CMO Dr. Ana McKee and its General Counsel Lisa Vandecaveye, as well as McDermott Will & Emery partner Sandy DiVarco, discuss The Joint Commission’s role in quality assessment and improvement programs.

**New Case Example Solutions!**

**Case example #4 safety strategies — Found too late: Missed diagnosis leads to delay in treatment**

The safety strategies for Case Example #4 highlight actions an organization can take to avoid missed diagnosis and delays in treatment, including implementing daily safety huddles and instituting a nonpunitive culture for reporting diagnostic error.
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