New, revised pain assessment and management requirements for hospitals
Enhanced pain assessment and management standards take effect Jan. 1, 2018, and include identifying a leader or leadership team that is responsible for pain management and safe opioid prescribing. See all the new requirements.

New performance measures for Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement certification program
Four new performance measures for the Total Hip and Total Knee Replacement advanced certification program include two that address regional anesthesia and postoperative ambulation. Read more.

Four steps to kick off the on-site survey right

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New Standards FAQs: If the bilingual provider (physician, nurse, etc.) serves as an interpreter for a fellow provider (i.e., the patient and provider speak different languages and a bilingual provider is facilitating communication between them), does the requirement found at HR.01.02.01 EP 1 apply?

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**AHA Leadership Summit, July 27-29:**

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While many health systems are introducing quality and value measures in their physician compensation formulas, a pioneer of that strategy has moved to straight salary for its employed physicians. Read about Giesinger Health's decision.

**Free VTE Compendium of Resources:**

Provides guidance to clinicians and other health educators looking for reliable and up-to-date patient education materials.

**Reporting Adverse Events: An Important Step Toward Establishing Learning Culture:** Fourth in a blog series examining the 11 tenets of safety culture discussed in the *Sentinel Event Alert* on safety culture.

**Leaders Facilitating Change Workshop®, Oct. 12-13:**

Incorporating formal change management processes can provide your leadership team with important tools needed to achieve strategic and operational goals, and tackle complex, multifactorial issues in today’s changing health care environment. Learn more, or hear about the experiences of last year’s participants in this short video.

**Take 5 podcast:** Ann Scott Blouin, RN, PhD, FACHE, executive vice president of Customer Relations, talks about collecting race, ethnicity, and language (REAL) data - the first step to identifying and resolving health disparities, which improves care quality and patient satisfaction. [5:45]

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