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Webinar Replay: Do You Really Understand Your Hand-off Communication Processes?

**MEDIA WRAP-UP**

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Joint Commission cracks down on hand hygiene, Modern Healthcare: Mary Brockway, director of clinical research and standards, Department of Standards and...
Survey Methods, discusses updates to the 2018 survey process for scoring hand hygiene compliance.

In disaster response, physician leaders must inspire and empathize, American Association for Physician Leadership: Ana McKee, MD, executive vice president and chief medical officer, and Lynne Bergero, MHSA, project director, Division of Healthcare Quality Evaluation, were interviewed on emergency management.