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HIGH RELIABILITY ORGANIZATION (HRO)

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Purpose: Use the evidence-based best practices and resources below to create quality improvement action plans.

Category	Best Practices/Interventions	Links to Resources and Toolkits
Culture Assessment	Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Survey on Patient Safety Culture (SOPS™)	https://www.ahrq.gov/sops/surveys/hospital/index.html
Leadership	Leading a Culture of Safety: A Blueprint for Success The Benefits of High-Reliability in a Value-Based Payment Environment (Premier, 2018) Five Ways to Sustain the Gains from High Reliability (blog) (Premier, 2019) Leading in Tough Times: A Resilience Playbook (Cynosure, 2023)	https://www.ihl.org/resources/publications/leading-culture-safety-blueprint-success#downloads (download) https://premierinc.com/downloads/Premier-Inc_The-Benefits-of-High-Reliability-in-VBP_HealthLeaders.pdf https://premierinc.com/newsroom/blog/five-ways-to-sustain-the-gains-from-high-reliability https://app.box.com/s/viwnq35xv5fpmzaiuwgldm55ydxkxmc/file/1331570382741
Just Culture and Always Events	What is Just Culture? Changing the way we think about errors to improve safety and staff satisfaction The Promise and Practice of a Just Culture Always Events: A Toolkit Always Events: Make the Patient the Focus	https://www.brighamandwomensfaulkner.org/about-bwfh/news/what-is-just-culture-changing-the-way-we-think-about-errors-to-improve-patient-safety-and-staff-satisfaction https://healthcareexecutive.org/archives/march-april-2020/the-promise-and-practice-of-a-just-culture https://www.ihl.org/resources/tools/always-events-toolkit#downloads (download) https://www.patientsafety.com/en/blog/always-events-make-the-patient-the-focus
HRO Framework	The Framework for High-Reliability Healthcare A Framework for Safe, Reliable, and Effective Care Reliability Culture Implementation Guide	https://www.vizientinc.com/our-solutions/care-delivery-excellence/reliable-care-delivery (download the white paper) https://www.ihl.org/resources/white-papers/framework-safe-reliable-and-effective-care#downloads (download) https://www.mha.org/Portals/0/Documents/MHA%20Keystone%20Center/Tools/reliability-culture-implementation-guide.pdf
Learning Systems	Adverse Events, Near Misses, and Errors (AHRQ, 2019) AHRQ Learning from Defects	https://psnet.ahrq.gov/primer/adverse-events-near-misses-and-errors https://www.ahrq.gov/hai/cusp/toolkit/learn-defects.html

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Process Improvement Tools	<p>A Look at Six Sigma's Role in Improving Healthcare</p> <p>Fishbone (Cause and Effect) Diagram (Alliant HQIC)</p> <p>Patient Safety Essentials Toolkit. Download these nine essential tools to guide your organization in improving patient safety and delivering safe, reliable care. Tools include FMEA, SBAR, root cause analysis, daily huddles, and more.</p> <p>RCA2: Improving Root Cause Analyses and Actions to Prevent Harm (IHI, 2015)</p> <p>Failure Mode and Effects Analysis</p> <p>What is Six Sigma?</p> <p>What is LEAN? Problem-Solving Templates</p> <p>PDSA Worksheet</p>	<p>https://www.villanovau.com/articles/six-sigma/six-sigma-improving-healthcare/</p> <p>https://quality.allianthealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Fishbone-Diagram-Worksheet_AHSHQIC-TO3H-21-871_11.5.21_508.pdf</p> <p>https://www.ihl.org/resources/tools/patient-safety-essentials-toolkit#downloads</p> <p>https://www.ihl.org/resources/tools/rca2-improving-root-cause-analyses-and-actions-prevent-harm#downloads</p> <p>https://asq.org/quality-resources/fmea</p> <p>https://asq.org/quality-resources/six-sigma</p> <p>https://www.lean.org/explore-lean/what-is-lean/ https://www.lean.org/events-training/forms-templates/</p> <p>https://quality.allianthealth.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/HQIC-Small-Test-of-Change-PDSA-Worksheet_AHSHQIC-TO3H-21-870-11.5.21_508-V2.pdf</p>
Staff Education and Training	<p>High Reliability Training Programs. Includes costs. (Joint Commission Resources)</p> <p>Leadership Engagement Toolkit: Multidisciplinary Team Training & Skill Building</p>	<p>https://www.jointcommissioninternational.org/what-we-offer/high-reliability/high-reliability-training/</p> <p>https://www.dvidshub.net/video/643341/leadership-engagement-toolkit-multidisciplinary-team-training-skill-building</p>
Case Studies	Becoming a High Reliability Organization	https://www.cincinnatichildrens.org/research/divisions/j/anderson-center/safety/methodology/high-reliability
	Leadership Support in Highly Reliable Pressure Injury Prevention	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7jlofK8LY-g&list=PLIt1eQb-vK0QdiM3GAzRJ2zj3KzvD9Pg0H&index=2

Other/Professional Association Websites

1. Three Misconceptions About High Reliability in Healthcare (blog) (Premier, 2019)
<https://premierinc.com/newsroom/blog/three-misconceptions-about-high-reliability-in-healthcare>
2. Survey Findings: Barriers to Achieving High Reliability in Healthcare (download) (Premier, 2019)
https://offers.premierinc.com/WC_QR_HRO-Survey-Report_2019_03_08_Landing-Page.html?utm_source=premier&utm_medium=&utm_content=whitepaper&utm_campaign=WC_QR_HRO-CDO-Survey_2019_02_28
3. Age-Friendly Health Systems
<https://www.ihl.org/initiatives/age-friendly-health-systems>
4. Integrating Clinical and Cultural Data: A New Frontier for Performance Improvement
<https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/integrating-clinical-and-cultural-data-a-new-frontier-for-performance-improvement-2.html>

Webinars and Recordings

1. Spreading Bundle Tools and Resources on High Reliability Culture was recorded on Dec. 7, 2023, and features presenters from Hospital Quality Improvement Contractors (HQICs) and leading hospitals. (CMS)

<https://qioprogram.org/events/spreading-bundle-tools-and-resources-high-reliability-culture>

2. High Reliability Leadership Learning Module Series (HQIN, 2023)

<https://hqin.org/resource/high-reliability-leadership-learning-module-series/>

3. The High Reliability Organization (HRO) Video Series was developed for healthcare providers, nursing home and hospital staff, and leadership to share what it means to be an HRO and how that relates to health care organizations. (TMF Networks, 2023)

- Vignette 1: [Introduction to HRO Framework](#)
- Vignette 2: [HRO Culture](#)
- Vignette 3: [Knowledge](#)
- Vignette 4: [Learning System](#)
- Vignette 5: [HRO Leadership](#)
- Vignette 6: [HRO Other Considerations](#)

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