Partnering for Patient Empowerment Through Community Awareness

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Vision
Informed and active consumers can improve their safety as a patient or as a patient’s representative.

PPECA is the first model for building patient safety awareness for consumers through community partnerships involving a public library and a healthcare institution.

Objectives
• Baseline knowledge on patient safety for consumers
• Importance of establishing community partnerships
• Foundation for creating your own community patient safety event

Training Modules
• One consumer’s story
• Context and elements of safety
• Prepared with information: The role of information in the safety of care

Outcomes
• Train-the-trainer program created
• 68 participants
• New partnerships formed or reinforced
• Participation higher in small towns
• Interprofessional relationships developed

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