

Massachusetts Coalition

for the
Prevention of Medical Errors

On January 1, 2009, the Joint Commission goal to reduce the likelihood of patient harm associated with anticoagulation therapy went into effect. If you did not have the opportunity to join us in person on November 4, 2008 for our day long program we are making the faculty experts available to you through a series of Audio Conference Calls. Hear about successful strategies to achieve and sustain improvements in warfarin management. Explore how the strategies of these leaders can improve your overall anticoagulation patient management.

Program Series
Reducing Harm Associated with Anticoagulation Therapies

Program: *Surgical Bridging Strategies/Implementing Clinical Guidelines*

Audio Conference Call – Wednesday, October 28, 2009, 12noon - 1pm EDT

Introduction, Series Background, Gaps in Care – Paula Griswold/Joseph Dorsey, MD (5 min)

Surgical Bridging Strategies/Implementing Clinical Guidelines - Alan Brush, MD (45 min)

- Learn about surgical bridging strategies

Questions and Answers (10 min)

Objectives for Call:

- Identify bridging strategies for a variety of medical services
- Review of Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates Anticoagulation Guidelines

Faculty for Call

- **Paula Griswold, MS**, Executive Director
Massachusetts Coalition for the Prevention of Medical Errors
- **Joseph Dorsey, M.D.**, Physician Champion, MA Coalition for the Prevention of Medical Errors,
Board of Directors, Atrius Health
- **Alan Brush, M.D.**, Medical Director
Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates

To participate in this Audio Call:

- Please register at
<https://www.telspan.com/Registration/AnonymousLandingPage.aspx?EventNo=3921>
- A confirmatory e-mail will be sent to you with the dial-in number and your PIN number.
- Please remember to dial in early (about 5 minutes prior to the call at 11:55am on October 28th) to avoid waiting in the registration queue for the operator. By 12noon EDT, download the presentation from the link that will be established and sent to you on October 27th.

Program: *Patients with AF: Who Should be on Warfarin?*

Audio Conference Call – Friday, November 20, 2009, 12noon – 1pm EDT

Introduction, Series Background, Gaps in Care – Paula Griswold/Joseph Dorsey, MD (5 min)

Patients with AF: Who Should be on Warfarin - Daniel Singer, MD (45 min)

- Focus on Atrial Fibrillation patients
- A comprehensive review of the new VTE guidelines, the evidence supporting their adoption, measures to assess their implementation, and review of the recent changes and the implications for hospital practice.
- Systems to ensure inpatients are evaluated for potential VTE and prescribed the indicated prophylaxis, potential implementation challenges, and various approaches to increase effective implementation of VTE prophylaxis for all patients.

Questions and Answers (10 min)

Objectives for Call:

- The participant will be able to discuss 2 or 3 approaches to improve reliability of system to evaluate hospitalized surgical or medical patients for VTE prophylaxis.
- The participant will be able to identify 1 or 2 performance weaknesses in their own hospital's processes.
- The participant will be able to summarize the pros and cons of a 2-3 process improvements and relate them to their own practice environment.

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Board of Directors, Atrius Health
- **Daniel Singer, M.D.**, Chief, Clinical Epidemiology Unit, General Medicine Division, Massachusetts
General Hospital
Lead Author, ACCP, Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines for Atrial Fibrillation, Chest 2008

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Intended Audiences for all programs:

Physicians Nurses Pharmacists Physician assistants Executive Sponsor/administrator	Health system administrators Care coordination Risk Management Quality leaders Patient and Family Relations
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Audio Conference Calls Sponsored by: MA Coalition for the Prevention of Medical Errors

Audio Conference Call Registration Fee:

Per Phone Line for Audio Calls #2 and #3:

\$100 for organizations who are not Coalition members

\$ 60 for Coalition members (see list below)

\$ 40 for an extra line

Coalition Member Hospitals Include:

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Cambridge Health Alliance	Metro West Medical Center
Cape Cod Health System	Milford Regional Hospital
Children's Hospital	Mount Auburn Hospital
Dana-Farber Cancer Institute	Northeast Health Systems
Emerson Hospital	Southcoast Hospitals Group
Fairview Hospital	Sturdy Memorial Hospital
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