Press Release: National Improvement Challenge on Hypertension in Pregnancy Award Winners

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The Council on Patient Safety in Women’s Health Care has announced the winning submissions for the National Improvement Challenge on hypertension in pregnancy. The Council received many highly qualified submissions and awards were granted after a rigorous review, including an evaluation of the use of the Council’s patient safety materials, improvements in processes and outcomes, and demonstrated multidisciplinary collaboration.

The National Improvement Challenge on Hypertension in Pregnancy award winners are:

- **First Place ($3,000):** University of Pennsylvania | Philadelphia, PA
- **Second Place ($2,000):** South Nassau Communities Hospital | Oceanside, NY
- **Third Place ($1,000):** Beaumont Health - Dearborn | Dearborn, MI
- **Fourth Place:** Truman Medical Centers (Truman Medical Center School of Nurse Anesthesia / University of Missouri-Kansas City) | Kansas City, MO

You can learn more about each of the winning programs and the innovative initiatives that they have deployed to address hypertension in pregnancy during an upcoming Safety Action Series. Additional details will be made available on the Council’s website when registration is opened.

About the National Improvement Challenge

The National Improvement Challenge is the Council’s initiative that seeks to improve women’s health care through the development of patient safety and quality improvement projects at the residency and educational program level. Through the Challenge the Council seeks to foster a culture of collaboration, teamwork, patient safety, and communication between clinicians and patients while concurrently increasing widespread implementation of the safety tools and resources put forth by the Council. The Council would like to thank Lupin Pharmaceuticals for sponsoring the hypertension cycle of the Challenge.

The next cycle of the Challenge focused on the Prevention of Surgical Site Infections After Major Gynecologic Surgery is expected to open in December 2016.

To learn more about the Challenge and the Council’s other efforts, visit: [www.safehealthcareforeverywoman.org](http://www.safehealthcareforeverywoman.org)