Hawai'i Association of Healthcare Risk Management Organizing Committee

Lunch & Learn Webinar
Thursday, January 15, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Understanding SAM (Sexual Assault & Molestation) Prevention & Protocols

We invite you to learn essential strategies for safeguarding vulnerable patients and fostering a trusted care environment in our upcoming webinar on patient safety best practices.

Summary:

This webinar provides an overview of Sexual Assault & Molestation (SAM) prevention strategies and established response protocols. Participants will learn how to recognize risk factors and warning signs, implement proactive measures to create safer environments, and follow clear procedures for reporting, responding to, and documenting concerns. The session emphasizes accountability, survivor-centered responses, and organizational responsibility in preventing SAM and addressing incidents appropriately.

Objectives:

By the end of this webinar, attendees will be able to:

1. Identify key risk factors, warning signs, and behaviors associated with Sexual Assault & Molestation (SAM) to support early prevention and intervention.
2. Apply effective SAM prevention strategies and best practices to foster safe, respectful, and accountable environments.
3. Understand and follow established SAM response protocols, including reporting, documentation, and survivor-centered response procedures.

Presenter Information & Bio:



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Relevant Experience/Specialization

Joan has previously served as a system director of risk management and patient relations for large health systems, leading teams supporting multistate hospital systems. Currently, she provides loss prevention support to health care clients. Joan has also served as an operational leader in acute care, home health, hospice, and physician practice settings. In her current role, Joan provides support and resources in loss prevention to health care clients to assist them in better managing and reducing their risks, Additionally Joan is an adjunct professor for the masters in health care administration program at Texas University.