

# How We Work

## A Journey Toward Zero Harm

The 100+ Children's Hospitals' Solutions for Patient Safety (SPS) Network hospitals are driven by the shared goal to urgently reduce and then eliminate serious harm for the children being cared for in our facilities.



To guide this work, SPS network hospitals have come together around the following tenants:

### Leadership Matters

Executive leadership is a critical aspect of successful improvement in pediatric patient safety. The network has designed efforts to inspire and continuously develop the safety leadership skills of the executives who lead our network hospitals.

### Our mission motivates all that we do

We must act with urgency and discipline, focusing on outcomes through a combination of high reliability concepts and quality improvement science methods. We learn through testing and partnering with families and front-line staff.

### Our Focus

SPS is focused on reducing harm by preventing readmissions, serious safety events and 11 specific hospital acquired conditions, including:

- + Adverse drug events (ADE)
- + Catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI)
- + Central line-associated blood stream infections (CLABSI)
- + Injuries from falls and immobility
- + Pressure injuries
- + Surgical site infections
- + Ventilator-associated events (VAE)
- + Venous thromboembolism
- + Peripheral Intravenous Infiltration and Extravasations (PIVIEs)
- + Unplanned Extubations
- + C. Difficile and Antimicrobial Stewardship