

Violence in Healthcare NEWSLETTER



The concern for workplace violence in healthcare continues to be addressed in the news and by various organizations around the country. Increasingly, Federal and state governments are taking notice and have become more involved in highlighting this important issue through awareness, education and enforcement of workplace safety laws.

The attached articles are stories of interest that appeared in news services during the month of **January, 2017**. While all of the links have been checked, we cannot guarantee they will be active at the time you might choose to review the story.

We appreciate your concern for this important topic and for the safety of your patients, visitors and coworkers.



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[New California OSHA Workplace Violence Standard for Healthcare Workers](#)

California Labor Law News

Federally, OSHA has only broad guidelines with no specific standard of guidance with regard to **workplace violence** and aggression – especially for ...

[UPDATE: Barricade at MountainView Hospital ends](#)

KTNV Las Vegas

LAS VEGAS (KTNV) - A barricade situation at MountainView **Hospital** has ended with the man killing himself, according to a Las Vegas Metropolitan ...

[Deputies shoot gun-wielding man inside Cypress hospital ER](#)

Chron.com

An emergency room patient apparently tired of waiting to see a doctor was **shot** by off-duty sheriff's deputies after he opened fire with a pistol **inside** the ...

[Deputies shoot man who fired gunshots inside hospital](#) - Austin American-Statesman

[Deputy shoots armed man at North Cypress Medical Center](#) - KTRK-TV

[Man shot after pulling gun inside Houston-area Hospital](#) - KWTX

[Should OSHA Officially Address Workplace Violence?](#)

Joint Commission

The rate of **workplace violence** against employees providing health care and social assistance services is substantially higher than private industry as ...

[Police: Man assaulted nurse after domestic violence incident](#)

Bristol Press

BRISTOL — A New York man allegedly assaulted a nurse at Bristol **Hospital** Monday after he was arrested on domestic **violence** charges. Brian Blank ...

[Man shot after pulling gun inside Houston-area Hospital](#)

KWTX

Man **shot** after pulling gun **inside** Houston-area Hospital ... The **shooting** took place at North Cypress **Medical Center** in Northwest Harris County.

[Workers say Hemet mental health clinic is unsafe](#)

Press-Enterprise

Workers say Hemet mental **health clinic** is unsafe ... describe as unsafe working conditions, including threats of **violence** against staff and frequent car ...

[OSHA Publishes RFI for Possible Workplace Violence Standard](#)

JD Supra (press release)

OSHA itself may not be certain over what a **workplace violence** safety standard would include. The agency's initial expression of interest in the topic ...



[Cal/OSHA Leadership to Explain New **Workplace Violence** Prevention Regulation](#)

California Hospital Association

The California Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Cal/ OSHA) health care **workplace violence** prevention (WVP) regulation is broad in scope ...

[Deputies **shoot** gun-wielding man **inside** Texas hospital ER](#)

SecurityInfoWatch

Jan. 04--A gun-wielding patient, apparently tired of waiting in the emergency room, was **shot** by off-duty sheriff's deputies after he opened fire Tuesday ...

[NNU Nurses Testify in DC Today, Call for National Standard to Prevent **Workplace Violence** in ...](#)

Common Dreams (press release)

Workers in the healthcare and social assistance industry face extremely high rates of **workplace violence**. In 2014, 52 percent of all the incidents of ...

[National Nurses United Push For National Standard To Prevent Healthcare **Workplace Violence** ...](#)

Wortfm

NNU Co-President Jean Ross says **violence** has been a problem for far too long in various healthcare settings and a national standard is needed to ...

[Labor Department aims to protect healthcare workers](#)

The Hill

"**Workplace violence** is a serious occupational hazard that presents a significant risk for healthcare and social assistance workers," Michaels wrote ...

[Big News: NNU Nurses' Petition Granted for National Standard to Prevent **Workplace Violence**](#)

National Nurses United

RNs testified in D.C. today on **workplace violence**, as Secretary of Labor David Michaels made an announcement that could save nurses' lives.

[OSHA Grants **Workplace Violence** Petition On Director's Last Day](#)

Bloomberg BNA

A federal rule to curb **violence** in health-care and similar settings is on a ... **Hospital** industry groups have in the past warned a new regulation could ...

[Charges expected after ER punchout at Mercy Hospital Jefferson](#)

Leader Publications

Assault charges against a 46-year-old Pevely woman are expected after she allegedly punched an emergency room nurse early Sunday

[Patient Pulls Out Gun, Shoots Self in Head in South Jersey Emergency Room](#)

NBC 10 Philadelphia

A patient attempted to **shoot** and kill himself **inside** a South Jersey ... Lady of Lourdes **Medical Center** along Haddon Avenue in Camden around 8:10 ...

[OSHA agrees to pursue standard on **workplace violence** prevention for health care, social services](#)

Safety+Health magazine

Washington – OSHA will pursue a federal standard aimed at preventing **workplace violence** among health care and social service workers, after ...

[Nurses Push for National Standard to Prevent **Workplace Violence**](#) - WHAV News

['Data-Driven' Approach May Reduce **Violence** to Hospital Workers](#)

Newswise (press release)

Newswise — January 12, 2016 — A worksite intervention using unit-level data on **violent** events can lead to lower risks of patient-to-worker **violence** ...

[New Jersey Hospital 'Immediately' Tackles Security Policies After Patient Attempts Suicide](#)

NBC 10 Philadelphia

... **inside** a South Jersey emergency room, the **hospital** said it was immediately ... its security in hopes of preventing future shootings **inside** its facility. ... to the 72-year-old man who **shot** himself in the head after bringing a gun to the ...

[Preparing for Worst-case Scenarios in Hospitals](#)

Hospitals & Health Networks

Registration for “**Workplace Violence** — Best Practices for the Worst Case” is free, and is part of the American Hospital Association's Hospitals Against ...

[RNs Testify on **Violence** in the Healthcare Setting](#)

SUN News Report (press release)

Workplace violence (WPV) is a recognized hazard in the healthcare industry. WPV is any act or threat of physical violence, harassment, intimidation, ...

[Nurses Face More **Violence** From Hospital Patients](#)

US News Health

There, registered nurses called on OSHA to promptly pass regulations to prevent **violence** and protect employees in **hospitals**, nursing homes and ...

[Data-Driven Approach May Reduce **Violence** to Hospital Workers](#)

WorkersCompensation.com (press release)

Elk Grove Village, IL (WorkersCompensation.com) - A worksite intervention using unit-level data on **violent** events can lead to lower risks of ...

[Shooting inside Logan hospital ruled suicide](#)

WSAZ-TV

(WSAZ) -- The fatal **shooting** in Logan Regional Medical Center was the ... (WSAZ) -- A **shooting** has been reported **inside** a Logan County **hospital**.

[One killed in West Virginia hospital shooting](#) - WYMT News (press release)

[Police investigating apparent suicide inside Port medical building](#)

The Daily News of Newburyport

Newburyport police followed by state police were at the scene of a **shooting** in a stairwell at the ... The center is adjacent to the Anna Jaques **Hospital**.

[7 Steps to Prepare Your Hospital for an Active Shooter](#)

Hospitals & Health Networks

Reducing **workplace violence**: Train for whatever potential incidents may arise, and then press forward with even harder challenges. Work in concert ...

[Rochester Man Arrested in Connection with Hospital Stabbing](#)

TWC News

ROCHESTER, N.Y. -- A Rochester man has been arrested in connection with the **stabbing** of another man **inside** Strong Memorial **Hospital** Saturday.

[OSHA fines Whitemarsh mental health facility for workplace violence violations](#)

The Intelligencer

"Documented reports of **violent** incidents at this **hospital** reflect a lax approach to workplace safety. The **hospital** must take immediate action and put in ...

[Study works to reduce health care violence](#)

MSUToday

Arnetz has been researching **violence** in **hospitals** and other medical facilities since the 1990s. Her latest study, published in the January issue of the ...
