

Violence in Healthcare NEWSLETTER



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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 **November 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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[Union workers protest safety conditions at Potomac Center](#)

Herald-Mail Media

"It is unfortunate that health care workers here and throughout the country encounter **workplace violence** while working to meet people's health needs ...

[Man who set co-worker on fire will spend 20 years in federal prison](#)

KSHB

We pray that the policies and laws will change to demand accountability towards offenders of **workplace violence**. Blanchard told co-workers she ...

[Minn. hospital's ER renovation to address growing safety challenges](#)

Bemidji Pioneer

Minn. **hospital's** ER renovation to address growing safety challenges ... The **hospital's violence** prevention task force also was involved, Flowe said.

[Personal Safety & Security Response Strategies to Help Protect Your Home Healthcare Employees ...](#)

Campus Safety Magazine

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) defines **workplace violence** as "violent acts (including physical assaults and threats ...

[Suspect in custody after reported shooting at VA Medical Center in Nashville](#)

WZTV

A shooting has been reported at the VA **Hospital**. Suspect is a ... Students are advised to avoid the VA **Hospital** area during the investigation. According to ... The goal is to reduce gun **violence**, especially among youth. Liz Parrot ...

[Highland-Clarksburg Hospital to hold drill](#)

The Exponent Telegram (press release)

This drill is in response to the increase in **violence** in the nation as well as West Virginia. Highland-Clarksburg **Hospital** has assembled a team of ...

[State Auditor Tim Keller Issues Risk Advisory On Violence Against Healthcare Workers](#)

Los Alamos Daily Post

SANTA FE – State Auditor Tim Keller issued a Risk Advisory on Violence ... **Workplace violence** occurs at high rates in public hospitals and many ...

[Workplace violence](#)

Public Health Newswire

At a time when nurses face "epidemic levels of **violence** at work," there's a lot we all can do to help, said presenters during a Wednesday morning ...

[Police: woman arrested for **stabbing** husband in **hospital**](#)

WTHR

BALTIMORE (AP) — Baltimore police have arrested a woman they say fatally **stabbed** her husband **inside** of a **hospital**. Police arrested 30-year-old ...

[Loveland hospitals increase focus on protecting employees from violent patients](#)

Loveland Reporter-Herald

A rise in the incidence of violence toward hospital staff members locally and ... **Workplace violence** and dealing with patients who cause it used to be ...

[Editorial: Hospitals hit by increase in violence](#)

Loveland Reporter-Herald

Editorial: Hospitals hit by increase in violence ... by the Labor Department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration about **workplace violence**, ...

[Authorities: Gunman kills Massillon doctor in **hospital** parking lot before taking own life](#)

Akron Beacon Journal

MASSILLON: A Massillon doctor was fatally **shot** Monday in the parking lot of ... Seese, 59, was rushed **inside** the **hospital** for treatment but died during ...

[Doctor **shot** at Affinity Medical Center in Massillon; **shooter** dead](#) - WKYC-TV

[Massillon Police: Affinity Medical Center **shooter** and victim shared 'mutual love interest'](#) - WKYC-TV

[Police: Doctor **shot** outside Massillon **hospital** has died, **shooter** killed himself](#) - 10TV

[Lawmakers Slam **Violence** At UHS Hospital In Alabama](#)

BuzzFeed News

Lawmakers have condemned allegations of **violence** at a psychiatric **hospital** in Birmingham, Alabama, and are calling on regulators to investigate the ...

[**Violence** against nurses in **hospitals** not routinely tracked, reported](#)

WGN-TV

Violence against nurses in **hospitals** has become an epidemic. A federal report found 21 percent of nurses report verbal abuse, physical assault, and ...

[Workplace **Violence** Prevention – National Safety Council](#)

Joint Commission

Workplace Violence Prevention – National Safety Council.

[Let's Get Real About Fixing The Hawaii State **Hospital**](#)

Honolulu Civil Beat

... includes the **hospital**, said that the Legislature set aside \$1.7 million for additional security just two years ago. "Now is the time for some real action," she said, noting that the added security was the result of the formation of widely publicized task force in response to reports of **violence** against **hospital** ...

[CDC expanding efforts to curb workplace violence in nursing homes](#)

McKnight's Long Term Care News

The notice asks for public comment on the proposed expansion, dubbed the **Workplace Violence** Prevention Programs in NJ Healthcare Facilities.

[No touching in the workplace. But what about when your job requires it?](#)

Gant Daily

Healthcare workers are much more likely to experience “nonfatal **violence** in the **workplace**” than are workers in other industries, according to research by Jill S. Boissonnault, associate professor at the George Washington University physical therapy program. Nurses, physical therapists and others are ...

[No touching in the workplace. But what about when your job requires it?](#) - KITV Honolulu

[Teenager arrested for homicide of man found outside hospital](#)

KOAA.com Colorado Springs and Pueblo News

Police said they arrested a 16-year-old boy after workers at the **hospital** found a man with an apparent gunshot wound **inside** a parked car at the **hospital**. ... Officers got the call from the **hospital** around 12:30 a.m. but say the **shooting** likely happened after 9:00 p.m. It's unclear exactly where the man was ...

[Staff finds man dead from gunshot wound inside car at hospital](#) - KOAA.com Colorado Springs and Pueblo News

[Teen arrested, man found dead outside Colorado Springs hospital](#) - KKTU 11 News

[Man found dead in car outside Colorado Springs hospital; 16-year-old suspect arrested](#) - FOX21News.com

[In Va. hospital killing, man sentenced to life in prison](#)

Delmarva Daily Times

A man convicted in the 2016 killing of Riverside **hospital** worker Shelli Crockett was sentenced to life in prison by a Northampton County judge Monday. Winston Burton, 58, was convicted of first-degree murder by a Northampton County jury in July. Judge W. Revell Lewis III also sentenced Burton to ...

[Man Gets Life Sentence for Stabbing Hospital Worker 46 Times](#)

Campus Safety Magazine

On November 28, 2016, Burton waited for his estranged ex-girlfriend, Shelli Crockett, to arrive at Riverside Shore Memorial **Hospital** where she worked in the environmental services department. After Crockett parked her vehicle, Burton reached **inside** with a knife and **stabbed** her multiple times.

[Nurse Stabbed In Hospital Parking Lot Where Staff Had Asked For More Security.](#)

Nurse.org (blog)

As a result, this past July, the Senate passed Elise's Law - requiring health care employers to implement **workplace violence** prevention plans. The law was implemented after a Massachusetts nurse was nearly killed in a patient stabbing. The Rutgers University Police Department has asked anyone with ...