



Patient Safety Award

LAMMICO Patient Safety Award & Grant Application

2024-25 TOPIC: Early Recognition of Sepsis
APPLICATION DUE DATE: MAY 31, 2025

Award Description

LAMMICO is committed to patient/resident safety and risk management. To promote our commitment to the healthcare community, LAMMICO sponsors the Patient Safety Award & Grant. The topic of this year's award is Early Recognition of Sepsis. Hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers (ASC), and long-term care (LTC) facilities in Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and Tennessee are eligible to apply for this award (refer to Eligibility). The award application period opens July 1, 2024, and ends May 31, 2025. Entries must be received by midnight of the posted application due date. Promotion is subject to local, state, and federal laws, and is void where prohibited. Application submission implies acceptance of and agreement with award rules and conditions.

Background Information

Sepsis remains a time-critical emergency. As with stroke and heart attack, the identification and response to sepsis should be urgent and protocol-based. Currently there are changing definitions of sepsis, various sepsis screening tools, standardized treatment bundles, and risk mitigation strategies available. Incorporating sepsis treatment guidelines should be an important part of clinical care.

LAMMICO's learning management system includes these educational activities. To access a learner activity, please use the following links:

- "Sepsis in LTC: A Medical Emergency"
<https://medicalinteractive.com/courses/51737>
- "Sepsis: Early Recognition and Treatment"
<https://medicalinteractive.com/courses/51713>

All educational activities are offered free of charge to eligible facilities. These activities focus on information regarding the clinical manifestations of sepsis screening for the recognition of sepsis and septic shock, and liability risks and mitigation strategies associated with sepsis.

Award Entry

No purchase is necessary to apply for the grant or to win. Eligible facilities will submit this application for award entry. After the staff in the eligible facility complete the educational activity, assess and analyze your current sepsis mortality rate (or overall mortality rate if sepsis rate unavailable).

Review your current policies, procedures, protocols and/or processes to identify opportunities for improvement. Assess and analyze your patient/resident sepsis mortality rates after the implementation of changes. Report your changes and impact. To participate in the 2024-25 LAMMICO Patient Safety Award and Grant program, applicants are required to submit hard copy (print) or digital (electronic) examples of changes and improvements made to their current policy, procedure, protocol, and/or process and the amount of improvement that was realized in your sepsis mortality rates.

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Eligibility

The award is open to hospitals, ambulatory surgery centers, and long-term care facilities in Louisiana, Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and Tennessee. Applicants are not required to be underwritten by LAMMICO to participate. Learn more about this year's program at lammico.com/grant.

Selection

To further enhance your efforts toward patient/resident safety, LAMMICO sponsors this Award and Grant for the hospital, ambulatory surgery center, or long-term care facility that demonstrates the greatest reduction in annual mortality rates resulting from improved sepsis diagnosis and treatment as determined by a committee of LAMMICO Risk Management professionals. All judging decisions are final.

Prizes

The hospital, ambulatory surgery center or LTC facility that demonstrates the greatest reduction in annual mortality rates resulting from improved sepsis diagnosis and treatment will be awarded:

- A **\$10,000** grant to the **winner** to be used for nursing professional development
 - One-year risk manager membership to the American Society for Health Care Risk Management (ASHRM) or LTC state association membership
 - One-year complimentary membership to Medical Interactive Community for all employees to access our risk management CME/CNE/MOC courses online
- A **\$5,000** grant to the **second place** participant to be used for nursing professional development
 - One-year risk manager membership to the American Society for Health Care Risk Management (ASHRM) or LTC state association membership
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Winner Notification

Winners will be notified within 15 days after the determination date. Employees of LAMMICO will communicate directly with winning facility representatives to coordinate prize distribution, announcements, and celebration logistics.

General Conditions

Contestants hereby grant LAMMICO a non-exclusive, perpetual, worldwide license to broadcast, publish, store, reproduce, distribute, syndicate, and otherwise use and exhibit the Submission (along with submitted names, motivational communication samples, voices, performance, images, and/or likenesses obtained as a result of this Submission) in all media for the purposes of trade or advertising without further compensation. The official rules are subject to modification by LAMMICO. In the event of a dispute, all decisions made by LAMMICO are binding and final.

Contact Information

Please contact LAMMICO's Hospital Risk Management Specialist, Lynne Vega, BSN, RN, CNOR (E) at lvega@lammico.com or 504.841.2738 for additional inquiries and to submit your application.

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Name of Organization		
Address of Organization		
Name of CEO		
Name & phone of CNO		Phone:
Name of Medical Director		
Name of Risk Manager		
# of Beds _____	Average Daily Census _____	

1. Did staff complete the learning activity on sepsis? Yes or No (please circle). If yes, please provide the number of nurses and physicians who completed the activities.	RNs _____ LPNs _____ MDs _____
2. Describe the policy, procedure, protocol and/or process changes implemented after viewing the educational activity.	Please Circle Yes No
3. Was a sepsis protocol created after completing the education? If no, was the organization already using a sepsis protocol? _____ If yes, were there changes made to the protocol after completing the education? _____	Please Circle Yes No
4. Compare sepsis mortality rate for previous year (may use overall mortality rate if sepsis mortality is unavailable) and calculate the rate of change. (percentage).	% Mortality Rate Improvement
5. Submit this signed attestation statement.	

I attest that the information provided above is correct and I have attached a copy of our Implemented strategies, policy changes, etc.

Signature _____

Date _____

Title _____