



# ENHANCEMENTS FOR Healthcare Violence Prevention Programs

*In Healthcare Facilities*

## WHAT IS SAFETY STAR?

Each year, LHA Trust Funds presents three outstanding healthcare facilities with the LHA Malpractice and General Liability Trust Fund Safety Star Award – a public acknowledgment of their commitment to healthcare quality and safety.

Since the award's creation more than a decade ago, LHA Trust Funds has bestowed the Safety Star award to 33 Louisiana healthcare facilities along with \$330,000 in monetary prizes, inspiring providers to develop innovative ideas that support safety in healthcare from year to year.

In 2023, we are focusing the LHA Malpractice and General Liability Trust Fund Safety Star Award on projects that have reduced the risk of violence in your organization. If your facility can demonstrate improved patient or visitor safety due to improved processes or programs intended to prevent violence, you are eligible to apply!

Winners of the award receive recognition at the LHA Winter Conference, paid conference registration and expenses for the CEO/Administrator, a \$10,000 cash award, and paid conference registration and expenses for a designee to attend the annual American Society of Healthcare Risk Management (ASHRM) conference.

## 2023 CALL FOR ENTRIES

**August 14** - Program Rollout

**October 13** - Final Deadline

**November 29** - Announce Winners

## QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

- Applicant must be a member of the LHA Malpractice and General Liability Trust Fund.
- Nomination form must be submitted by the deadline.
- The project must be specific to violence prevention processes or programs designed to improve safety.
- Project or initiative must have been conducted and completed between January 2022 - May 31, 2023.
- Project or initiative achieved positive measurable outcomes.



<https://lhatrustfunds.com/grants-and-awards/safety-star-award>



MALPRACTICE

GENERAL LIABILITY

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

## SAFETY STAR AWARD PROJECT CRITERIA

**Your project initiative must be related to violence prevention.** *The organization must be able to demonstrate positive outcomes in patient or visitor safety as a result of the project.*

Examples of the types of projects you should consider include but are not limited to:

- Technological improvements or the use of technology to reduce risks of violence or enhance identification of potential violence.
- Any systematic change or improvement in processes that have reduced the risk of violence in the organization or improved performance, quality, or efficiencies related to prevention of violence.
- Any initiative that improves the safety of patients and visitors and reduces harm related to violence.

## ABOUT YOUR PROJECT

The LHA Malpractice and General Liability Trust Fund Safety Star Award will recognize three facilities who have successfully implemented ideas or processes that have reduced the risk of violence. This project can involve technology, process changes, or new processes.

**Your project is required to have data from quantifiable measurable outcomes to determine whether an improvement resulted from the interventions taken to address the identified problem.**

All nominations should include outcomes data to show sustained improvements in quality or safety over a designated period.

The types of projects that should be considered for nomination include those that have resulted in reduced risks to patient or visitor safety, performance improvement, or improvements in quality of the violence prevention program.

## NOMINATION PROCESS

This is a self-nomination process. A successful submission will identify the objective and goals of the project and document the related outcomes.

To be considered for an award, organizations should complete the related nomination form. In completing the form, special attention should be paid to addressing each component requested. A copy of the fillable PDF nomination form is located on our website: [www.lhatrustfunds.com](http://www.lhatrustfunds.com).

All nominations received by the deadline will be first reviewed by LHA Trust Funds in accordance with the Qualification Criteria.

To qualify for the award, nominations must meet all the criteria listed in the Qualification Criteria, including a project conducted and completed between **January 2022 - May 31, 2023**. *Nominations that do not meet all criteria will be rejected and not scored.*

All nominations that meet the Qualification Criteria will be de-identified and scored by an independent reviewer using a competitive scoring process and related score sheets that speak to the criteria below:

- Problem (project) identification
- Methodology for problem (project) identification
- Goals/Objectives
- Project Strategy
- Project Design & Implementation
- Outcomes Measurement
- Goal Achievement

## EXCLUSIONS

Awards will not be given for:

- Submissions directly related to employee safety improvements.
- Projects that have been completed prior to January 2022 or after May 31, 2023.
- Projects that cannot demonstrate positive measurable outcomes over a designated period using internal data.