

Communication and Resolution Programs (CRPs) stimulate a culture of patient safety while offering a highly principled and proactive response to patients harmed in the course of their healthcare. As healthcare organizations and providers embrace CRPs, their relationships with defense, plaintiff, and healthcare lawyers are evolving as well. The shift in orientation from "is this care defensible?" to "does this care meet our expectations?" requires organizations to carve new roles for attorneys and develop innovative models to facilitate an empathetic and timely response and resolution while fast-tracking safety improvements following unintended clinical outcomes.

CRP ATTORNEY ALLIANCE

The CRP Attorney Alliance is an alliance of attorneys who engage and/or support the healthcare community by embracing the principles of CRPs. The Alliance supports attorneys in their work to guide their respective clients' reactions and responses to unplanned clinical outcomes in a principled, honest and transparent way to best advance their clients' interest and the clinical mission.

The CRP Attorney Alliance is part of the Collaborative for Accountability and Improvement. CAI brings together CRP thought leaders and stakeholders to innovate and promote effective CRPs so the response to unintended patient harm meets the needs of patients, families, providers, and healthcare organizations.

The CRP Attorney Alliance is a resource for attorneys who counsel and represent clients regarding CRPs and connected issues through:

Best Practices and Innovation: established and new approaches for attorney engagement in CRPs

Professional Development: training and educational opportunities

Scholarship: publications in high-impact journals

Resources: directory of legal professionals trained in and committed to CRP principles

Advocacy: perceived and real legal impediments to CRPs

Community Building: leaders from the defense and plaintiff bar, malpractice liability insurance industry, and healthcare

JOIN THE ALLIANCE

Participating in one of our committees benefits you and your practice.

Members have an opportunity to develop innovations, disseminate knowledge, and gain recognition as thought leaders in the field.

Participation conveys a commitment to advancing clients' interests and the clinical mission.



Oversight

Chaired by Kyle Sweet, JD, Sweet Law Firm

Best Practices

Chaired by Richard Boothman, JD, Boothman Consulting

Development

Chaired by Michael J. Severyn, JD, ProAssurance Companies

Education

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Nomination

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- Position your firm at the forefront of the CRP movement
- Forge closer, ongoing ties with clients beyond the litigation context
- Increase attorney job satisfaction by participating in a collaborative, less adversarial process

SPONSORSHIP

Support a growing movement by providing financial sponsorship to the CRP Attorney Alliance.

Funds support staff and various resources needed to accomplish the Alliance's goals and activities.

Sponsors will be recognized on the CAI website and on Alliance marketing materials.

Email thecai@uw.edu about becoming a sponsor.

For more information about the CRP Attorney Alliance, communication and resolution programs, or CAI's programs and educational offerings, please visit www.communicationandresolution.org.

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