



# 2021 FALL CONFERENCE

Department of Interprofessional Continuing Education



# First Annual 2021 Trinity Health Interprofessional Continuing Education Fall Conference: “Safety in Education – Collaborating Together, For the Team, By the Team”

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### Purpose:

This year is Trinity Health’s First Annual virtual Interprofessional Continuing Education Fall Conference. The intent for this interactive all-day conference is to provide those participants involved with Continuing Education to incorporate new skills, knowledge advancement, develop an awareness of system-wide initiatives while familiarizing themselves with National Accreditation mandates along with the new Standards for Integrity and Independence in credited CE (formerly Standards of Commercial Support). All mentioned are required when executing successful Continuing Educational programming in an interprofessional program setting.

### Objectives:

- ✦ Educate and update our IPCE Community on new processes.
- ✦ Identify what “collaboration” means in an Interprofessional Continuing Education environment.
- ✦ Intent to improve insight into how safety and Continuing Education work together in harmony with system-wide initiatives.
- ✦ Learners will be able to communicate and integrate new Standards for Integrity & Independence in Accredited CE when planning and providing Continuing Education.

### Intended Audience:

CE/CME Coordinators, Activity Directors,  
Activity Coordinators, GME Coordinators, PA’s, Nurse  
Educators, Nurses, Pharmacists, Physicians, Nutritionists,  
Psychologists, Social Workers (Internal Audience Only)

All who have an active involvement in Trinity Health’s  
Interprofessional Continuing Education are invited.

### DATE:

Thursday, October 28, 2021

### TIME:

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM-EST

### LOCATION:

Virtual from Trinity Health System  
Office - Livonia, Michigan

### PRESENTERS:

#### Dion Richetti

VP, Accreditation and Recognition ACCME  
“Implementing the New Standards for Integrity and  
Independence in Accredited Continuing Education”

#### Blair Eig & Bonnie DiPietro

CEO & VP Maryland Patient Safety Center  
Director, Operations, Maryland Patient Safety Center  
“The Importance of Collaboratives in Patient Safety”

#### Jennifer Graebe

Director, Nursing Continuing Professional  
Development & Joint Accreditation Program &  
American Nurses Credentialing Center-Accreditation  
“Teamwork & Collaboration-Developing the Next  
Level of IPCE”

#### Murielle Beene

SVP, Chief Health Informatics Officer,  
Trinity Health System Office  
“Mining the Data”

#### Patricia Pokrandt

Director, Education & Professional Development, PACE  
Trinity Health System Office  
“Uncovering the Talents and Gifts of Speakers That  
Surround You”

#### Sandy Tobar

Director, Clinical Transformation,  
Trinity Health System Office  
“Safety and Reliability”

#### LaRonda Chastang

VP, Diversity & Inclusion,  
Trinity Health System Office  
“Diversity and Inclusion Awareness”

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**Deadline to register is October 25, 2021**

## **Karen Cassidy**

Manager, Continuing Education & IPCE,  
Trinity Health System Office  
“ **Reviewing New Guidelines, CME Tracker’s New Electronic Application & Speaker Module**”

## **Christine Litwinczuk**

Project Coordinator, Continuing Education & IPCE  
“**Reviewing the New Forms**”

## **Tristan Easton**

CE Coordinator, Continuing Education & IPCE  
Trinity Health System Office  
“**What’s New with Enduring Materials-An Update**”



"In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Trinity Health. Trinity Health is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the health care team."



*"This activity was planned by and for the healthcare team, and learners will receive 5.75 Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE) credits for learning and change."*





Trinity Health Office of Continuing Education/IPCE Announces  
**First Annual 2021 CE/IPCE Fall Conference**

**Intended Audience:** CE/CME On-Site Coordinators/Nurse Educators/Activity Directors/Activity Coordinators/Pharmacy Program Directors/CE/CME Chairs/PA's/Social Workers/Psychologists/Dieticians

**AGENDA**

9:00-9:15	Introduction/Reflection/Housekeeping	Karen Cassidy
9:15-9:45	Mining the Data	Murielle Bean
9:45-10:30	Standards for Integrity & Independence in Accredited CE	Dion Richetti
10:30-11:00	Uncovering the Talents and Gifts of Speakers That Surround You	Patty Pokrandt
11:00-12:00	Why Collaborations are Vital to Patient Safety	Blair Eig, MD & Bonnie DiPietro
12:00-12:30	LUNCH	
12:30-1:00	Teamwork & Collaboration-Developing the Next Level of Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE)	Jennifer Graebe
1:30-2:00	Trinity Health System-wide Safety Initiatives	Sandy Tobar
2:00-2:30	Introducing the New CME Tracker Electronic Application Modules	CME Tracker Team and Bio
2:30-3:30	Reviewing New Forms, Expectations and EM Update	Karen Cassidy, Christine Litwinczuk & Tristan Easton
3:30-4:00	Trinity Health's Integrity and Inclusion Initiative	LaRonda Chastang
4:00	Wrap up/Adjourn	



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**Murielle Been, DNP, MBA, MPH,  
MS, RN-BC, PMP, FAAN**

**Senior Vice President and Chief Health  
Informatics Officer**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title: Mining the Data**

Dr. Murielle Beene is senior vice president and chief health informatics officer at Trinity Health. She is responsible for strategic and visionary leadership in communicating complex trends to influence change to improve the impact of informatics on the systems of care. She also advances the activities of health informatics and analytics in support efficiency and effectiveness of healthcare operations with the primary goal of advancing evidence-based health practice through data, information and dissemination of knowledge and wisdom.

Dr. Beene has over 20 years of health informatics and analytics experience in various positions. Previously, she served as chief nursing informatics officer for Trinity Health. She also spent 10 years serving as chief nursing informatics officer at the Department of Veterans Affairs. Dr. Beene also held health informatics positions at PriceWaterhouseCoopers, Matria Healthcare and Adventist Health.

Dr. Beene holds a Doctor of Nursing Practice degree with a concentration in Health Information Systems and a Master of Science in Public Health from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. She also holds a Master of Nursing Informatics degree from the University of Maryland and an MBA from Walden University. In addition, Beene holds certifications in Project Management from the Project Management Institute (PMP), Nursing Informatics from American Nursing Credentialing Center (RN-BC) and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (FAAN).



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### **Karen Cassidy**

**Manager of Interprofessional Continuing Education**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title:** Reviewing New Guidelines, CME Tracker's New Electronic Application & Speaker Module

As the Manager of Trinity Health's System Office Interprofessional Continuing Education (IPCE), Karen provides leadership and direction for Trinity Health's Continuing Education (CE). Her responsibilities include, guiding strategy and developing and implementing successful healthcare initiatives through collaboration across Trinity Health's continuum.

In various roles, Karen has worked in the Trinity Health environment for over 40 years serving physicians, nurses and other healthcare professionals. During the last 17 years, she has been dedicated to Continuing Education and served at two of Trinity Health's southeast hospitals; one receiving commendation under her direction. She was recruited five years ago by the system office to lead Trinity Health's Continuing Education program. During this time, Trinity Health received ACCME accreditation and most recently, three years ago, accreditation from the Joint Accreditation-Interprofessional Continuing Education (JA-IPCE). She has incorporated standardization and is in the process of centralizing Continuing Education while adding cost savings to Trinity Health's hospital ministries. She and her team have successfully unified 34 hospitals under Trinity Health's JA-IPCE providership. Karen serves on the Michigan State Medical Society's CME Board as a CME accreditation consultant and surveyor.



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**LaRonda Chastang, MSW**

**Vice President of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title:** Diversity and Inclusion Awareness

LaRonda is a result-oriented leader with a strong commitment to inclusive leadership and addressing systemic factors that contribute to inequities. She has over 20 years of leadership experience in diverse sectors including academic medicine, state government, and non-profit organizations. Having served in those sectors have developed her into a strategic thinker, flexible leader, and genuine influencer.

Prior to her current role, she served as the Assistant Director for Diversity and Inclusion at Michigan Medicine and the Senior Program Manager at the State of Michigan where she managed the State of Michigan's comprehensive agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In this role, LaRonda worked with health departments and community organizations across the State to implement evidenced based strategies to reduce health disparities in minority communities.

Highly regarded as a skilled facilitator, dynamic speaker, and strategic leader, LaRonda works with senior leaders across various industries to advance diversity, equity and inclusion efforts that supports the diversification of the workforce, increase employee engagement, improve patient outcomes, and create an inclusive culture where everyone feels valued, respected, and can thrive.

LaRonda holds a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University. She serves as on the Board of Directors for the Plymouth Canton Community School District, SafeHouse Center and The C.L.A.S.S Agency.



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**Bonnie DiPietro,  
RN, MS, NEA-BC, FACHE**

**Director of Operations**

**Maryland Patient Safety Center**

**Presentation Title: “Why  
Collaborations are Vital to  
Patient Safety”**

Ms. DiPietro has more than 40 years of healthcare experience, holding clinical, educational, management and administrative positions throughout the Baltimore-Washington metro area.

She holds both a Master of Science degree in Nursing Administration and a Bachelor of Science (nursing) degree from the University of Maryland. She is active in many local and national professional organizations, including The American Organization of Nurse Leaders, Maryland Organization of Nurse Leaders, The Maryland Association of Health Care Executives (Membership Committee) and the American college of Health Care Executives, and Sigma Theta Tau, the National Honor Society of Nursing. In her role at the Maryland Patient Safety Center she provides coordination of all the Center’s collaboratives, that have included statewide initiatives such as the Maryland Hospital Hand Hygiene Collaborative, several perinatal and neonatal collaboratives and two current initiatives with long-term care to improve cleaning and disinfection to reduce facility acquired infections. Coordination includes recruitment, scheduling, development, data collection and implementation. Bonnie also develops education and conference programming for the Center and serves as director of day to day operations for the organization.





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**Tristan Easton, MHA**

**Continuing Education Assistant**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title:** What's New with  
Enduring Materials-An Update

Tristan's role as the Continuing Education Assistant is to assist sites with their applications, paperwork, end of month documentation and any other questions that may arise. She also creates event IDs and puts all the necessary information into CME tracker. Tristan thrives on creating things and has a knack for developing forms to help organize the many aspects of the CE world. She also creates the Enduring Materials by editing and uploading the videos into the Enduring Material Catalog.

Previously Tristan worked with Saint Alphonsus Health System, which is part of the Trinity Health System. She started out there in 2016 and created the new Continuing Education Program that still runs today.

Tristan enjoys spending time in the garden sharing the bounty with her husband, children, family and friends. When she's not gardening, she's cooking, teaching, tending animals, keeping score for her son's baseball team, or listening to one of her daughter's many animated stories.



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**Blair M. Eig, MD, MBA, MA**

**President and CEO, Maryland Patient Safety Center**

**Clinical Professor of Pediatrics, The George Washington School of Medicine and Health Sciences**

**Presentation Title:** The Importance of Collaboratives in Patient Safety

Blair Eig is the President & CEO of the Maryland Patient Safety Center, the state-designated Patient Safety Organization (PSO) for Maryland. Prior to taking this position, he served 19 years as Chief Medical Officer for the Holy Cross Health System of Montgomery County Maryland, the Maryland Region of Trinity Health. And before that he practiced primary care pediatrics for 14 years in Silver Spring Maryland. A native of Maryland, Blair received a bachelor's degree in biology and biochemistry and a master's degree in biochemistry from Brandeis University, a medical degree from Harvard Medical School and a master's degree in business administration from American University. He and his wife of 42 years are the proud parents of 3 children and 5 grandchildren.



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### **Jennifer Graebe, MSN, RN, NEA-BC**

**Director of Accreditation in Nursing  
Professional Development and Joint  
Accreditation**

**American Nurses Credentialing Center,  
Washington D.C.**

**Presentation Title:** Teamwork &  
Collaboration-Developing the Next Level of  
IPCE

Jennifer Graebe has a professional nursing career spanning 23 years and has a wealth of education and clinical experience. Jennifer received her master of nursing in leadership and health systems management from Drexel University, her baccalaureate degree in nursing from Villanova University; and a certificate in healthcare management, accounting and economics from Johns Hopkins University. Jennifer holds the ANCC Nurse Executive Advanced – Board Certification. In August 2015, Jennifer joined the American Nurses Enterprise in their subsidiary the American Nurses Credentialing Center as the Senior Operations Manager of Primary and Joint Accreditation. In October of 2017, Jennifer was promoted to the role of Director of Primary and Joint Accreditation. In this role, Jennifer is responsible for the strategic and daily operations of over 450 accredited organizations that provide and approve continuing nursing education and interprofessional continuing education. Jennifer is a published column author and has presented at several conferences nationally. Jennifer is adjunct faculty at Capella University in the School of Nursing and Health Sciences and is a PhD/DrPH candidate in education and public health. Jennifer was recently appointed to the Competency Based Education Network Board of Directors (BOD) and is on the nominating committee for the BOD for the Alliance for Continuing Education in the Health Professions. Before her role at the ANCC, Jennifer has held positions in leadership at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital as the Clinical Educator and Clinical Manager in the Emergency Department. While at MGUH, Jennifer was recognized as Nurse Leader of the Year (2014) and Nurse of the Year in Nursing Education (2010). Jennifer also holds instructor certificates in basic and advanced cardiac life support. Jennifer has experience as a board-certified forensic nursing. Jennifer has provided interprofessional continuing education in leadership and human trafficking. Until recently, Jennifer continued to work with patients clinically in the Emergency Department and teach courses on High-Reliability Organizations and Medication Safety.



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**Christine Litwinczuk**

**Project Coordinator of Continuing Education**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title:** Reviewing the New Forms

Christine has worked at Trinity Health System office for 16 years and has spent much of that time supporting clinicians. She joined the Continuing Education Department in 2016 just after they received their initial ACCME accreditation. Two years later she was involved in the reaccreditation survey where IPCE Joint Accreditation was applied for and received in August of 2018. Christine has spent many years looking for a place where she could use her passion and has found it in continuing education. Christine loves supporting clinicians and helping to provide quality education that will meet their needs.

Christine is married to a wonderful man of 41 years with two beautiful adopted daughters and a miniature dachshund named Winston. This year they experienced the joy of welcoming their first grandchild, an adorable little girl named Poppy. They are overjoyed and of course enjoy spending time spoiling her. Christine's other hobbies include scrapbooking, lighthouse hunting and crafting with her daughter. Christine is a three year breast cancer survivor and has committed to helping others on their journey to wellness.



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**Patty Pokrandt, MS, BSN, RN-BC**

**Director of Education and Professional Development**

**Trinity Health PACE**

**Presentation Title:** Uncovering the Talents and Gifts of Speakers That Surround You

Patty has been with Trinity Health since 2008 and Trinity Health PACE since November of 2017. She is responsible for oversight of thirteen PACE (Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly) programs nationally. This includes education and professional development for all disciplines. Program Coordinator for NICHE, CAPC, and Pathway to Excellence®. I facilitate and organize standardization of onboarding, continuing education, student placement, education affiliation agreements, grants and research within our TH PACE sites.

Patty's educational background includes:

- Bachelor of Science in Nursing, University of Wisconsin - Oshkosh
- Masters of Science in Gerontology, Dementia, and Teaching in Healthcare Systems, Eastern Michigan University
- ANCC Certified Gerontological Nurse 2015 to present
- ANCC Certified Critical Care Nurse 1990 to 1996



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**Dion Richetti**

**Vice President of Accreditation and Recognition**

**Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)**

**Presentation Title:** Implementing the New Standards for Integrity and Independence in Accredited Continuing Education

Dion Richetti is the Vice President of Accreditation and Recognition at the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the nonprofit organization responsible for accrediting institutions that offer continuing medical education (CME) to physicians and other healthcare professionals. In this position, Dion oversees the ACCME's accreditation and recognition process for approximately 700 ACCME-accredited providers and 35 Recognized Accreditors (state/territory medical societies). These responsibilities include managing the ACCME's accreditation and recognition teams, serving as staff to the Joint Accreditation program, as well as contributing to the ACCME's strategic planning, management, quality assurance, and continuous improvement processes.



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**Sandra Tobar, MSBA, RN, CPPS**

**Director Clinical Transformation**

**Trinity Health**

**Presentation Title: Safety and Reliability**

Sandra is a nursing leader with expertise in safety, critical care, cardiology, sepsis, telemetry and virtual monitoring as well and nursing education. She has a proven ability to lead necessary changes to improve and standardize care by engaging stakeholders and achieving metrics and goals. Including the integration and refinement of technical and IT/ EMR solutions. Utilization of technology and innovation are key in meeting the needs of patients and caregivers. Patient safety is a passion and contributing to the healthy work environment of healthcare colleagues will lead to an excellent care experience. Certification as a patient safety professional is current to 2024. Educational credentials include a BSN and MSBA.