

Carole Hemmelgarn

Carole Hemmelgarn, MS, MS, has worked in the healthcare field with Industry for 29 years. Her early years were spent in sales interacting with private practice providers, and academic institutions with medical students, interns, residents, fellows, attendings, nurses and pharmacists. The last thirteen years she has been working with Health Plans, Medical Groups, and Employers; collaborating on quality improvement, disease management, and prevention programs for their patients and employees. Personal interest in the field of Patient Safety has lead Carole to get a Master of Science Degree in the field of Patient Safety Leadership from the University of Illinois Chicago. Carole is now an adjunct professor at the University of Illinois Chicago teaching in their Master's program. Carole holds a second Master's Degree in Health Care Ethics from Creighton University. Colorado State University is where Carole did her undergrad and she holds a degree in Speech Communication. Carole sits on multiple committees and boards doing patient safety work in her home state of Colorado, and across the country. Her passion is in the area of Communication and Resolution Programs, health care communication, and storytelling in health care. This will be the ninth year Carole has attended the Emerging Patient Safety Leaders: The Telluride Experience conference.

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