Patient Safety is an important element in Graduate Medical Education but the approach to patient safety has not always been documented or collaborative with the clinical sites in which most post-graduate training occurs. The ACGME CLER Program gives a framework composed of pathways to create a Culture of Patient Safety. Pathway 4 emphasizes resident and faculty education, engagement, experience and evaluation in patient safety investigations and follow-up. We will review this pathway in the context of residencies’ contribution to creating a Culture of Patient Safety. We will hear about one institution’s efforts and solicit hearing from participants’ other approaches.

**Objectives:**
At the end of this teleconference session, the learner should be able to:
- Review the Patient Safety CLER Pathway four and its properties in the context of a systematic approach to improving patient care safety;
- Explore the rationale for post-graduate training and experience in patient safety investigations and follow-up and the impact of this experience on patient care outcomes; and
- Describe one GME sponsor’s approach to identifying the sequential steps in formal Patient Safety Improvement from reporting adverse events and close calls through formal Root Cause Analysis and follow-up.

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