



HEALTH CARE FOR ALL



PFAC Annual Report Form

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Why complete an annual report for my PFAC?

Under Massachusetts law, hospital-wide PFACs are required to write annual reports by October 1st each year. These reports must be made available to members of the public upon request. As in past years, HCFA is requesting a copy of each report and submitted reports will be posted on HCFA's website, www.hcfama.org. HCFA recommends using this template to assist with information collection, as well as the reporting of key activities and milestones.

What will happen with my report and how will HCFA use it?

We recognize the importance of sharing of information across PFACs. Each year, we

- make individual reports available online
- share the data so that PFACs can learn about what other groups are doing

Who can I contact with questions?

Please contact us at PFAC@hcfama.org or call us at 617-275-2982.

If you wish to use this Word document or any other form, please email it to
PFAC@hcfama.org.

Reports should be completed by October 1, 2018.

Section 1: General Information

1. Hospital Name: Lahey Hospital & Medical Center

NOTE: Massachusetts law requires every hospital to make a report about its PFAC publicly available. HCFA strongly encourages you to fill out a separate template for the hospital-wide PFAC at each individual hospital.

2a. Which best describes your PFAC?

- We are the only PFAC at a single hospital – **skip to #3 below**
- We are a PFAC for a system with several hospitals – **skip to #2C below**
- We are one of multiple PFACs at a single hospital
- We are one of several PFACs for a system with several hospitals – **skip to #2C below**
- Other (Please describe):

2b. Will another PFAC at your hospital also submit a report?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

2c. Will another hospital within your system also submit a report?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

3. Staff PFAC Co-Chair Contact:

2a. Name and Title: Judith Catalano, BSN. M.Ed, RN, Nurse Mgr 7 West Med Surg/Heme/Onc

2b. Email: judith.a.catalano@lahey.org

2c. Phone: 781.744.3857

- Not applicable

4. Patient/Family PFAC Co-Chair Contact:

3a. Name and Title: Helen Cushman

3b. Email: hercushman187@yahoo.com

3c. Phone: 508.0361.6050

- Not applicable

5. Is the Staff PFAC Co-Chair also the Staff PFAC Liaison/Coordinator?

- Yes – skip to #7 (Section 1) below
- No – describe below in #6

6. Staff PFAC Liaison/Coordinator Contact:

6a. Name and Title:

6b. Email:

bc. rnone:

Not applicable

Section 2: PFAC Organization

7. This year, the PFAC recruited new members through the following approaches (check all that apply):

- Case managers/care coordinators
- Community based organizations
- Community events
- Facebook, Twitter, and other social media
- Hospital banners and posters
- Hospital publications
- Houses of worship/religious organizations
- Patient satisfaction surveys
- Promotional efforts within institution to patients or families
- Promotional efforts within institution to providers or staff
- Recruitment brochures
- Word of mouth/through existing members
- Other (Please describe): Unit Based Nursing Leadership
- N/A – we did not recruit new members in FY 2018

8. Total number of staff members on the PFAC: 9

9. Total number of patient or family member advisors on the PFAC: 17

10. The name of the hospital department supporting the PFAC is: Quality & Safety

11. The hospital position of the PFAC Staff Liaison/Coordinator is: Nurse Manager, Inpatient M/S Heme/Onc unit

12. The hospital provides the following for PFAC members to encourage their participation in meetings (check all that apply):

- Annual gifts of appreciation
- Assistive services for those with disabilities
- Conference call phone numbers or “virtual meeting” options
- Meetings outside 9am-5pm office hours
- Parking, mileage, or meals
- Payment for attendance at annual PFAC conference
- Payment for attendance at other conferences or trainings
- Provision/reimbursement for child care or elder care
- Stipends
- Translator or interpreter services

Other (Please describe): PFAC members are recognized and honored at Annual Volunteer Luncheon; Payment for conferences or trainings

N/A

Section 3: Community Representation

The PFAC regulations require that patient and family members in your PFAC be “representative of the community served by the hospital.” If you are not sure how to answer the following questions, contact your community relations office or check “don’t know.”

13. Our hospital’s catchment area is geographically defined as: Eastern MA (North of Boston), Southern NH, Yourk Counte ME (total population = 2,655,623

Don’t know

14. Tell us about racial and ethnic groups in these areas (please provide percentages; if you are unsure of the percentages check “don’t know”):

	RACE						ETHNICITY	
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
	American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African American	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	White	Other	Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin	
14a. Our defined catchment area	.03	6.0	4.0	0	82.0	7.7	11.0	<input type="checkbox"/> Don’t know
14b. Patients the hospital provided care to in FY 2018	.1	3.6	2.0	0.0	79.6	12.6	1.1	<input type="checkbox"/> Don’t know
14c. The PFAC patient and family advisors in FY 2018					100.0			<input type="checkbox"/> Don’t know

15. Tell us about languages spoken in these areas (please provide percentages; if you are unsure of the percentages select “don’t know”):

	Limited English Proficiency (LEP)	
	%	
15a. Patients the hospital provided care to in FY 2018	24.0	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
15b. PFAC patient and family advisors in FY 2018	0.0	<input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

15c. What percentage of patients that the hospital provided care to in FY 2018 spoke the following as their primary language?

	%
Spanish	.10
Portuguese	.02
Chinese	.01
Haitian Creole	.05
Vietnamese	.04
Russian	.07
French	.01
Mon-Khmer/Cambodian	.09
Italian	.06
Arabic	.07
Albanian	.01
Cape Verdean	<.001

Don't know

15d. In FY 2018, what percentage of PFAC patient and family advisors spoke the following as their primary language?

	%

Spanish	0
Portuguese	0
Chinese	0
Haitian Creole	0
Vietnamese	0
Russian	0
French	0
Mon-Khmer/Cambodian	0
Italian	0
Arabic	0
Albanian	0
Cape Verdean	0

Don't know

16. The PFAC is undertaking the following activities to ensure appropriate representation of our membership in comparison to our patient population or catchment area:

We continue to recruit new members to the PFAC with particular focus on diversity and achieving a membership representative of the population served. We have used our PFAC brochure and held a Recruitment Fair and will reach out to specific ethnic groups to engage members.

Section 4: PFAC Operations

17. Our process for developing and distributing agendas for the PFAC meetings (choose):

- Staff develops the agenda and sends it out prior to the meeting
- Staff develops the agenda and distributes it at the meeting
- PFAC members develop the agenda and send it out prior to the meeting
- PFAC members develop the agenda and distribute it at the meeting
- PFAC members and staff develop agenda together and send it out prior to the meeting. (Please describe below in #17a)
- PFAC members and staff develop agenda together and distribute it at the meeting. (Please describe below in #17a)
- Other process (Please describe below in #17b)
- N/A – the PFAC does not use agendas

17a. If staff and PFAC members develop the agenda together, please describe the process:

Agenda items are requested from the membership at the end of each meeting as well as an email sent out 2 weeks prior to the next meeting requesting concerns/agenda item requests. Some agenda items relate to goals and a running list is kept to assure we address items as proposed by the membership. The final agenda is developed in collaboration by the co--chairs.

17b. If other process, please describe:

18. The PFAC goals and objectives for 2018 were: (check the best choice):

- Developed by staff alone
- Developed by staff and reviewed by PFAC members
- Developed by PFAC members and staff
- N/A – we did not have goals for FY 2018 – **Skip to #20**

19. The PFAC had the following goals and objectives for 2018:

1. Recruit new members to the PFAC to achieve membership reflective of the population served through a recruitment fair.
2. Facilities improvement: PFAC input into new GIM Campus and facilitated patient flow
3. With Philanthropy, participated in securing Healing Art to be hung up throughout inpatient & outpatient areas for the campus.
4. Development of LHMC PFAC definition of Patient Experience - what is important to us, as patients, when looking for a provider and hospital to receive our care.
5. Continued engagement in Violence Prevention in the Workplace committee.
6. Approval for improved signage in parking garage.
7. Consult in GIM relocation/assisting with wayfinding opening week.
8. Ongoing support of patient-centered educational materials.
9. Consultants to departments when creating new scripts to be used for telephone triage.

10. Member placed on Research Committee

20. Please list any subcommittees that your PFAC has established:

PFAC recruitment Fair subcommittee.

Requests from providers/hospital committees for Advisor member participation are sent to staff co-chair. She, in turn, sends out email requesting participants. These subgroups may meet as few as one time or indefinitely. Members on subcommittees report out to the greater group at the beginning of each meeting examples of subcommittees that were formed this year are: group to review and critique scripts to be used in Referral Management Department; Staff input on new curriculum to be designed for patient use with Diabetes management and teaching - one member will now participate in the diabetes education committee. With inpatient nursing staff and providers that meets monthly

21. How does the PFAC interact with the hospital Board of Directors (check all that apply):

- PFAC submits annual report to Board
- PFAC submits meeting minutes to Board
- Action items or concerns are part of an ongoing "Feedback Loop" to the Board
- PFAC member(s) attend(s) Board meetings
- Board member(s) attend(s) PFAC meetings
- PFAC member(s) are on board-level committee(s)
- Other (Please describe): Members worked together on interviews with new hospital president. In addition, a formal report is presented to the Quality & Safety committee annually.
- N/A – the PFAC does not interact with the Hospital Board of Directors

22. Describe the PFAC's use of email, listservs, or social media for communication:

Our main vehicle for communication is email. Text messaging with specific members related to specific work or topics is also employed. Members are encouraged to join the MAHCFA list servers and participate in webinars and workgroups. We hope to expand our use of social media in the future.

- N/A – We don't communicate through these approaches

Section 5: Orientation and Continuing Education

23. Number of new PFAC members this year:

24. Orientation content included (check all that apply):

- "Buddy program" with experienced members
- Check-in or follow-up after the orientation

- Concepts of patient- and family-centered care (PFCC)
- General hospital orientation
- Health care quality and safety
- History of the PFAC
- Hospital performance information
- Immediate "assignments" to participate in PFAC work
- Information on how PFAC fits within the organization's structure
- In-person training
- Massachusetts law and PFACs
- Meeting with hospital staff
- Patient engagement in research
- PFAC policies, member roles and responsibilities
- Skills training on communication, technology, and meeting preparation
- Other (Please describe below in #24a)
- N/A – the PFAC members do not go through a formal orientation process

24a. If other, describe:

All PFAC advisors complete the Volunteer Orientation program and annual updates. Hospital performance is shared with the members throughout the year

25. The PFAC received training on the following topics:

- Concepts of patient- and family-centered care (PFCC)
- Health care quality and safety measurement
- Health literacy
- A high-profile quality issue in the news in relation to the hospital (e.g. simultaneous surgeries, treatment of VIP patients, mental/behavioral health patient discharge, etc.)
- Hospital performance information
- Patient engagement in research
- Types of research conducted in the hospital
- Other (Please describe below in #25a)
- N/A – the PFAC did not receive training

25a. If other, describe:

- Understanding the voice of the patient at Lahey Hospital & Medical Center; review of patient verbatims from surveys.
- Stop the bleed seminar
- Nursing NICHE Assessment tool
- Minimizing and responding to violence in the workplace
- Attend patient safety forum

- Attendance at Diversity Summit held 5/24/18 at LHMC with BOD's, Executive Officers and Managers.

- Attendance at Quality Care Conference in Beverly MA in March 2018 with BOD's, Executive Officers, Managers and members from organizations within the Lahey Health System which addressed state law directing PFAC's , industry best practices and next steps as a health system

Section 6: FY 2018 PFAC Impact and Accomplishments

The following information only concerns PFAC activities in the fiscal year 2018.

26. The five greatest accomplishments of the PFAC were:

Accomplishment	Idea came from (choose one)	PFAC role can be best described as (choose one)
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<p>26a. Accomplishment 1:</p> <p>Development of the PFAC Recruitment Fair</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patient/family advisors of the PFAC <input type="checkbox"/> Department, committee, or unit that requested PFAC input	<input type="checkbox"/> Being informed about topic <input type="checkbox"/> Providing feedback or perspective <input type="checkbox"/> Discussing and influencing decisions/agenda <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leading/co leading
<p>26b. Accomplishment 2:</p> <p>Providing input to the new GIM Campus</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient/family advisors of the PFAC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department, committee, or unit that requested PFAC input	<input type="checkbox"/> Being informed about topic <input type="checkbox"/> Providing feedback or perspective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussing and influencing decisions/agenda <input type="checkbox"/> Leading/co leading
<p>26c. Accomplishment 3:</p> <p>Working with Philanthropy to incorporate Healing Art work on the inpatient and outpatient campus.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient/family advisors of the PFAC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Department, committee, or unit that requested PFAC input	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Being informed about topic <input type="checkbox"/> Providing feedback or perspective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussing and influencing decisions/agenda <input type="checkbox"/> Leading/co leading
<p>26d. Accomplishment 4:</p> <p>Participating in the interview process for our new President / CEO</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patient/family advisors of the PFAC <input type="checkbox"/> Department, committee, or unit that requested PFAC input	<input type="checkbox"/> Being informed about topic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing feedback or perspective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussing and influencing decisions/agenda <input type="checkbox"/> Leading/co leading
<p>26e. Accomplishment 5:</p> <p>Improved signage on the campus and in the garage area to direct patients and for patient safety</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patient/family advisors of the PFAC <input type="checkbox"/> Department, committee, or unit that requested PFAC input	<input type="checkbox"/> Being informed about topic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Providing feedback or perspective <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussing and influencing decisions/agenda <input type="checkbox"/> Leading/co leading

27. The five greatest challenges the PFAC had in FY 2018:

27a. Challenge 1: Recruitment with attention to a diverse membership continues to be our most challenging item this past year

27b. Challenge 2: Educating Lahey Colleagues to the PFAC roles and responsibilities and potential options for partnership

27c. Challenge 3: Achieving recommended improvements in the light of the current economic challenges in healthcare and prioritizing needs.

27d. Challenge 4: Communicating efficiently with leadership in a time where fiscal constraints and leadership transitions are prominent.

27e. Challenge 5:

N/A – we did not encounter any challenges in FY 2018

28. The PFAC members serve on the following hospital-wide committees, projects, task forces, work groups, or Board committees:

- Behavioral Health/Substance Use
- Bereavement
- Board of Directors
- Care Transitions

- Code of Conduct
- Community Benefits
- Critical Care
- Culturally Competent Care
- Discharge Delays
- Diversity & Inclusion
- Drug Shortage
- Eliminating Preventable Harm
- Emergency Department Patient/Family Experience Improvement
- Ethics
- Institutional Review Board (IRB)
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) – Sensitive Care
- Patient Care Assessment
- Patient Education
- Patient and Family Experience Improvement
- Pharmacy Discharge Script Program
- Quality and Safety
- Quality/Performance Improvement
- Surgical Home
- Other (Please describe): Patient safety rounds, re-admission SWAT team, falls, NICHE, Art committee, research, workplace violence, patient satisfaction surgery.
- N/A – the PFAC members do not serve on these – **Skip to #30**

29. How do members on these hospital-wide committees or projects report back to the PFAC about their work?

Members provide committee work report outs at PFAC monthly meetings or may provide a formal presentation as update to the council

30. The PFAC provided advice or recommendations to the hospital on the following areas mentioned in the Massachusetts law (check all that apply):

- Institutional Review Boards
- Patient and provider relationships
- Patient education on safety and quality matters
- Quality improvement initiatives
- N/A – the PFAC did not provide advice or recommendations to the hospital on these areas in FY 2018

31. PFAC members participated in the following activities mentioned in the Massachusetts law (check all that apply):

- Advisory boards/groups or panels
- Award committees
- Co-trainers for clinical and nonclinical staff, in-service programs, and health professional trainees
- Search committees and in the hiring of new staff
- Selection of reward and recognition programs
- Standing hospital committees that address quality
- Task forces
- N/A – the PFAC members did not participate in any of these activities

32. The hospital shared the following public hospital performance information with the PFAC (check all that apply):

32a. Complaints and serious events

- Complaints and investigations reported to Department of Public Health (DPH)
- Healthcare-Associated Infections (National Healthcare Safety Network)
- Patient complaints to hospital
- Serious Reportable Events reported to Department of Public Health (DPH)

32b. Quality of care

- High-risk surgeries (such as aortic valve replacement, pancreatic resection)
- Joint Commission Accreditation Quality Report (such as asthma care, immunization, stroke care)
- Medicare Hospital Compare (such as complications, readmissions, medical imaging)
- Maternity care (such as C-sections, high risk deliveries)

32c. Resource use, patient satisfaction, and other

- Inpatient care management (such as electronically ordering medicine, specially trained doctors for ICU patients)
- Patient experience/satisfaction scores (eg. HCAHPS - Hospital Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems)
- Resource use (such as length of stay, readmissions)
- Other (Please describe):

N/A – the hospital did not share performance information with the PFAC – **Skip to #35**

33. Please explain why the hospital shared only the data you checked in Q 32 above:

Senior Leadership reports out to the PFAC members at monthly meetings. This includes the "state of the state" as well as quality & safety data that is shared freely with the group

34. Please describe how the PFAC was engaged in discussions around these data in #32 above and any resulting quality improvement initiatives:

At the conclusion of Sr. Leader update, questions from the members are freely accepted and answered to the best of their ability

35. The PFAC participated in activities related to the following state or national quality of care initiatives (check all that apply):

35a. National Patient Safety Hospital Goals

- Identifying patient safety risks
- Identifying patients correctly
- Preventing infection
- Preventing mistakes in surgery
- Using medicines safely
- Using alarms safely

35b. Prevention and errors

- Care transitions (e.g., discharge planning, passports, care coordination, and follow up between care settings)
- Checklists
- Electronic Health Records –related errors
- Hand-washing initiatives
- Human Factors Engineering
- Fall prevention
- Team training
- Safety

35c. Decision-making and advanced planning

- End of life planning (e.g., hospice, palliative, advanced directives)
- Health care proxies
- Improving information for patients and families
- Informed decision making/informed consent

35d. Other quality initiatives

- Disclosure of harm and apology
- Integration of behavioral health care
- Rapid response teams
- Other (Please describe):

N/A – the PFAC did not work in quality of care initiatives

36. Were any members of your PFAC engaged in advising on research studies?

- Yes
- No – Skip to #40 (Section 6)

37. In what ways are members of your PFAC engaged in advising on research studies? Are they:

- Educated about the types of research being conducted
- Involved in study planning and design
- Involved in conducting and implementing studies
- Involved in advising on plans to disseminate study findings and to ensure that findings are communicated in understandable, usable ways
- Involved in policy decisions about how hospital researchers engage with the PFAC (e.g. they work on a policy that says researchers have to include the PFAC in planning and design for every study)

38. How are members of your PFAC approached about advising on research studies?

- Researchers contact the PFAC
- Researchers contact individual members, who report back to the PFAC
- Other (Please describe below in #38a)
- None of our members are involved in research studies

38a. If other, describe: .

39. About how many studies have your PFAC members advised on?

- 1 or 2
- 3-5
- More than 5
- None of our members are involved in research studies

Section 7: PFAC Annual Report

We strongly suggest that all PFAC members approve reports prior to submission.

40. The following individuals approved this report prior to submission (list name and indicate whether staff or patient/family advisor):

Patient/Family Advisors: Helen Cushman, Kevin Cushman, Jennifer Cyrs, Den Delorey, Karen Dale, Joyce Graham, Dotty MacDonald, Rich Pozniak, John Corrigan, Brian Dooley, Debbie Torchetti, Barry Yanes, Diane Richard, Gale Geary, Evelyn Comeau, Bob Mitchell, Mary Ellen lawler.

LHMC Members: Judi Catalano, David Longworth, Stathis Antoniadis, Rosemarie Delacy, Tracy Galvin, Rosemary Kinser, Chris McBrine, Steve Concellieri, Andrew Viallanueva, Debbie Zarrella.

41. Describe the process by which this PFAC report was completed and approved at your institution (choose the best option).

- Collaborative process: staff and PFAC members both wrote and/or edited the report

Staff wrote report and PFAC members reviewed it

Staff wrote report

Other (Please describe): Collaborative process - the co-chairs of the PFAC both wrote and/or edited the report. It was reviewed by the PFAC members as well as Quality & Safety committee

Massachusetts law requires that each hospital's annual PFAC report be made available to the public upon request. Answer the following questions about the report:

42. We post the report online.

Yes, link:

http://www.lahey.org/Patient_and_Visitor_Information/Patient_Information/Patient_and_Family_Advisory_Council.aspx

No

43. We provide a phone number or e-mail address on our website to use for requesting the report.

Yes, phone number/e-mail address: 781.744.7039 / PFAC@lahey.org

No

44. Our hospital has a link on its website to a PFAC page.

Yes, link:

http://www.lahey.org/Patient_and_Visitor_Information/Patient_Information/Patient_and_Family_Advisory_Council.aspx

No, we don't have such a section on our website