

# Peter Pronovost, M.D.

Chief Quality & Clinical Transformation Officer, University Hospitals  
Co-author, *Safe Patients, Smart Hospitals*  
Medical Expert, *The Wall Street Journal*

*Internationally acclaimed thought leader in patient safety and patient safety change leadership.*



## Biography

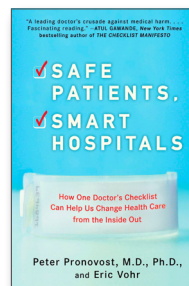
Peter Pronovost is an internationally acclaimed leader in patient safety, who has distinguished himself nationally and internationally with his ground-breaking work around saving lives, improving patient safety, and improving both the quality and value of health care. His life-saving clinical practices have yielded dramatic improvements in hospitals across the United States and around the world.

Dr. Pronovost developed a scientifically proven method for reducing the deadly infections associated with central line catheters. His simple but effective checklist protocol virtually eliminated such infections in ICUs across the state of Michigan, saving 1,500 lives and \$100 million annually. The checklist protocol has since been implemented across the United States, state by state, and in several other countries. *The New Yorker* magazine says that Pronovost's "work has already saved more lives than that of any laboratory scientist in the past decade."

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## Topics & Books

*Health Care*  
*Patient Care*  
*Patient Safety*



Currently, Peter is Chief Quality & Clinical Transformation Officer at University Hospitals. At UH, Dr. Pronovost develops and leads strategic initiatives to improve value across the health system. He is the clinical lead for population health and lead high-reliability medicine, with direct responsibility for the UH employee accountable care organization. He directs teams that engage UH providers and employees in care models leading to improved outcomes and a healthy workforce while reducing the cost of care. He also leads the growth and adoption of digital health – including telehealth and virtual health – solutions to better serve the patient and provider communities.

He was formerly the Director of Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality at Johns Hopkins, as well as practicing anesthesiologist and critical care specialist physician at Johns Hopkins Hospital and a researcher and professor at Johns Hopkins University.

Dr. Pronovost established the Quality and Safety Research Group (QSRG) to advance the science of safety and make patient care safer worldwide. He has also advised the World Health Organization on improving patient safety measurement through WHO's World Alliance for Patient Safety.

For his work, Dr. Pronovost has been named one of the world's "most influential people" by *TIME* magazine, and been given a MacArthur Fellowship "genius grant." He has won several national awards, including the ABMS' first Health Care Quality and Patient Safety Award, the John Eisenberg Patient Safety Research Award, and the 2017 David E. Rogers Award from the American Association of Medical Colleges.

Dr. Pronovost is the co-author of *Safe Patients, Smart Hospitals: How One Doctor's Checklist Can Help Us Change Health Care from the Inside Out*. He is the author of more than 200 articles and chapters in the

fields of patient safety, ICU care, quality health care, evidence-based medicine, and the measurement and evaluation of safety efforts. He also serves as Medical Expert at the *Wall Street Journal*, speaking on a broad range of issues in healthcare.



## Credentials

- Chief Quality & Clinical Transformation Officer, University Hospitals
- Former Chief Medical Officer, UnitedHealthcare
- Former Director, Armstrong Institute for Patient Safety and Quality, Johns Hopkins, Intensive care specialist physician and practicing anesthesiologist, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Professor, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, departments of Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, and Surgery, Professor, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Dept of Health Policy and Management and the School of Nursing
- Founder, Quality and Safety Research Group
- Advisor, Alliance for Patient Safety, World Health Organization
- Co-founder, Doctella

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from the often deadly  
consequences of human error  
and setting new standards  
of health care performance  
in the United States and  
internationally."*

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