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Dear Ilene,

It was so nice to hear from you. Our organization [www.leapforpatientsafety.org](http://www.leapforpatientsafety.org) has grown so quickly that we can't keep up with all of the information.

Doctors and hospitals help and save a lot of people but it's amazing how many individuals are injured and killed by the medical community. It is shocking that so little happens in response to those injuries and deaths.

I don't make the final decision for our organization. We have a Board and we follow their instructions and decisions. In addition, I don't believe you are being fair in making a decision as to what other organizations should do. We should work with them, not against them.

**We are not interested in punishing doctors and hospitals.** It's clear from your website that your workshops are sponsored by two law firms that are responsible for suing and punishing doctors and hospitals who injure and kill patients. You were so smart to hook-up with a premier Medical Malpractice Law Firm that probably ends up representing a lot of the people who attend your workshops. And your association with the law firm which represents over 5000 Personal Injury attorneys was very smart on your part also. Your workshops probably get the individuals the right legal help to properly get compensated. What a great idea to fund your organization. You are really helping those families get the financial compensation that they deserve while identifying the bad doctors and hospitals. **Our organization is more interested in finding solutions than in litigation.**

We see from your website that you work closely with a New York Senator - do you know if he is also associated with the Medical Malpractice Law Firm and the Law Firm that represents the Personal Injury Trial attorneys, which co-sponsor your workshops?

Also, how did you get the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System and that large North Shore Surgical Group to co-sponsor along with the Medical Malpractice Law Firm and the Law Firm which represents the Personal Injury Trial Attorneys? That must have taken some amount of negotiating. You have a real gift!

Our next project is to gather all the dedicated Patient Safety Days in every State in the US and abroad. We're hoping that every week there will be a Patient Safety Day somewhere, then we will really get the word out. LeapforPatientSafety.org will continue to respect, celebrate, and promote all patient safety days/weeks that have and will be declared by any one organization, foundation, individual throughout the universe.

Here are only a few of many that we have listed:

- February 2nd is Patient Safety Day in Toronto, Canada
- March 2nd to March 8th is National Patient Safety Week
- March 6th is Patient Safety Day in North Carolina
- May 6th is Nurses/Patient Safety Day in Massachusetts
- May 15th is Patient Safety Day in New York
- June 18th is National Take A Time Out For Patient Safety Day
- July 4th is Patient Safety Day in South Carolina
- July 14th is Patient Safety Day in New Delhi, India
- July 25th is National Patient Safety Day
- October 21st is National Patient Safety Day in Canada
- December 9th is Patient Safety Day in Moscow

We are assuming you reached out to these organizations as you reached out to us. If so, how did they respond to your instructions?

We've begun to contact organizations in every state and we should get the project up to full speed very shortly. We are working towards a patient safety day in each of the 50 states, including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, during each of the 52 weeks of the year.

When we've tackled the U.S., we'll concentrate abroad. We've already been in contact with organizations in Canada, India, the Netherlands and Russia.

Again, good luck with your workshops. When anyone contacts us about their injury or injured family member, I hope you don't mind if we refer them to your Pegalis Law Firm so that they can get properly compensated. I'll ask those individuals to mention your name so that you get the proper credit you deserve. The law firms must be reimbursing you for all of your efforts and referrals. **We would rather not associate in a similar way.** Again, what a great idea that was to associate yourself with the law firms that sue and punish doctors and hospitals so successfully. Your workshops are helpful in two ways, for the patients and the lawyers.

**We're hoping that one day, medical malpractice will become a thing of the past. We're interested in finding solutions, not in punishing.**

Good luck and please keep in touch.

Sincerely,

Josephine  
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