



## **Kiani Global Interprofessional Patient Safety Fellowship**

### **Applicant Information Guide**

The Patient Safety Movement Foundation (PSMF) offers a unique educational opportunity for healthcare professionals worldwide to deepen their understanding of both the theory and practice of patient safety. The Kiani Global Interprofessional Patient Safety Fellowship is designed to develop the next generation of leaders committed to advancing safer healthcare systems and eliminating preventable patient harm.

This year-long fellowship features a curriculum developed and delivered by leading patient safety experts across multiple disciplines. Fellows participate in monthly live virtual learning sessions, engage with curated readings on key patient safety topics, and take part in collaborative discussions that explore how safety science and quality improvement methods can be applied in real-world healthcare settings.

A defining component of the fellowship is applied learning. Each fellow designs and implements a patient safety improvement project within their professional environment, translating learning into meaningful improvements in care delivery.

Through this experience, fellows join a global community of patient safety leaders working collectively to improve healthcare outcomes and reduce preventable harm.

### **Eligibility**

The fellowship is open to healthcare professionals and leaders from around the world who are committed to improving patient safety.

Applicants may come from a wide range of professional backgrounds, including but not limited:

- Physicians
- Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Healthcare administrators
- Quality and safety professionals
- Public health professionals
- Researchers and policy leaders

Applicants should demonstrate a strong interest in patient safety, quality improvement, or healthcare system transformation.

### **Is prior experience in patient safety required?**

Prior experience in patient safety or quality improvement is beneficial but not required. Applicants should demonstrate a clear commitment to advancing safer care and the motivation to implement change within their professional environment.

### **What language is the fellowship conducted in?**

All fellowship sessions, discussions, and written materials are conducted in English. Applicants should therefore be comfortable participating in discussions and completing written assignments in English.

## **Application Process**

### **What materials must be submitted as part of the application?**

Detailed instructions for each required component are provided in [the online application portal](#). Applicants will be asked to submit information describing their professional background, interest in patient safety, and a proposed patient safety improvement project. Applications received via email will not be considered.

### **Application Timeline**

The fellowship application process follows a structured timeline. Specific dates are updated annually and published on the fellowship webpage.

Key stages include:

- Application period opens
- Application submission deadline
- Initial application review
- Interview process
- Final selection decision
- Notification of applicants

All applicants will be notified of the selection committee's decision once the review process has been completed.

Applicants who are offered a fellowship position will have six business days from the date of receiving their acceptance email to formally accept or decline the offer.

Due to the high volume of applications received each year, individual feedback will not be provided to applicants who are not selected.

Applicants should refer to the [fellowship webpage](#) for the most up-to-date application dates and information.

## **Selection Process**

### **Are there multiple stages in the selection process?**

Yes. The fellowship selection process includes several stages:

1. Initial application review by the selection committee
2. First-round interview with fellowship faculty or program leaders
3. First-round interview and committee review

### **Applicants are evaluated based on:**

- Demonstrated commitment to improving patient safety
- Leadership potential
- Feasibility and relevance of the proposed patient safety project
- Potential impact within their healthcare system or community

The fellowship is highly competitive, with fellows selected from a global pool of applicants.

## **Fellowship Curriculum**

### **What topics are covered in the fellowship curriculum?**

The curriculum is updated annually to reflect emerging priorities in patient safety. Core recurring topics typically include Measurement of Patient Safety and Multidimensional Models of Quality Improvement.

### **What readings and curriculum materials are included?**

Selected readings and learning materials are provided to fellows upon acceptance into the program. These resources include foundational literature in patient safety, case studies, and practical frameworks that support the fellowship curriculum and project development.

## **Fellowship Assignments**

Fellows complete several assignments designed to reinforce learning and support their project work. These include:

- Monthly reflections on fellowship topics
- Participation in Learning Set Group discussions
- Development and implementation of a patient safety improvement project
- A final reflection at the end of the fellowship
- A final project report describing the outcomes and impact of their work

Fellows are also encouraged to share their work through presentations or publications, contributing to the global advancement of patient safety knowledge.

### **Fellowship Project**

Applied learning is central to the fellowship experience.

Each fellow develops and implements a patient safety improvement project within their healthcare setting or professional environment. Projects should address a meaningful patient safety challenge and aim to produce measurable improvements in patient care or healthcare processes.

At the conclusion of the fellowship, fellows submit a final project report describing their approach, results, and lessons learned.

### **Time Commitment**

Fellows should expect to dedicate approximately four hours per week to fellowship activities.

This includes:

- Attendance at monthly live fellowship sessions
- Participation in Learning Set Group meetings
- Independent reading and reflection assignments
- Development and implementation of the fellowship project
- Engagement with mentors and fellow participants

Live virtual sessions are typically held once per month at 7:00 AM Pacific Time on either Tuesday or Thursday.

Accepted fellows are expected to attend all 12 scheduled fellowship sessions and actively participate in program activities and discussions. Absences will be considered only in cases of medical emergencies involving the fellow or an immediate family member, and fellows must notify the PSMF team as soon as possible.

## **Learning Set Groups**

Learning Set Groups are small peer groups typically composed of four fellows who collaborate throughout the fellowship year.

**These groups provide a supportive learning environment where fellows:**

- Discuss fellowship readings and topics
- Share project progress and challenges
- Provide peer feedback and support
- Explore how fellowship concepts apply within their local healthcare context

Each fellow is also paired with a mentor who provides guidance and support throughout the program.

## **Funding**

There is no cost to participate in the fellowship for accepted fellows.

However, financial stipends are not provided.

## **Fellowship Community**

PSMF fellows become part of a global network of patient safety leaders dedicated to improving healthcare systems and eliminating preventable harm.

Many fellows are motivated by firsthand experiences with patient harm and share a commitment to improving outcomes for both patients and healthcare workers in their communities.

Through the fellowship, participants join an international movement working collaboratively to advance safer healthcare worldwide.