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Search hospital inspections

Welcome to hospitalinspections.org, a website run by the Association of Health Care Journalists (AHCJ) that aims to make federal hospital inspection reports easier to access, search and analyze. This site includes details about deficiencies cited during complaint inspections at acute-care and critical access hospitals throughout the United States since Jan. 1, 2011. It does not include results of routine inspections or those of psychiatric hospitals or long-term care hospitals. It also does not include hospital responses to deficiencies cited during inspections. Those can be obtained by filing a request with a hospital or the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

This effort follows years of advocacy by AHCJ to encourage federal officials to publish this information electronically. Until now, this information has only been available through Freedom of Information Act requests – and only in paper form. Funding for this project was provided by the Ethics & Excellence in Journalism Foundation.

Because CMS has just begun gathering this data and releasing it in electronic format, it remains incomplete. Some reports are missing narrative details, and those are noted on each hospital's page. Beyond that, CMS acknowledges that other reports that should appear may not. CMS has pledged to work with AHCJ to make future iterations of this data more complete. At this time, this data should not be used to rank hospitals within a state or between states. It can be used to review issues identified at hospitals during recent inspections.

Clicking on a state on the map will retrieve a list of all hospitals with their violations grouped together; choosing a state from the drop down menu will list all inspection reports separately, so a hospital may appear more than once.

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3333 SPRINGHILL DRIVE NORTH LITTLE ROCK, AR 72117 | Voluntary non-profit - Other

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9601 INTERSTATE 630, EXIT 7 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72205 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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624 HOSPITAL DRIVE MOUNTAIN HOME, AR 72653 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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880 WEST MAIN BOONEVILLE, AR 72927 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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404 SOUTH BRADLEY STREET WARREN, AR 71671 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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201 CLIFTON STREET FORDYCE, AR 71742 | Government - Local

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300 EAST PICKENS DUMAS, AR 71639 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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1601 NEWCASTLE ROAD FORREST CITY, AR 72335 | Proprietary

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1205 MCLAIN STREET NEWPORT, AR 72112 | Proprietary

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1100 EAST POPLAR STREET CLARKSVILLE, AR 72830 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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300 PROSPECT AVE HOT SPRINGS, AR 71901 | Voluntary non-profit - Private

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214 CARTER STREET BERRYVILLE, AR 72616 | Voluntary non-profit - Church

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The Association of Health Care Journalists has launched [hospitalinspections.org](#), a free, searchable news application that compiles thousands of federal inspection reports for hospitals around the nation since January 2011.

The move follows years of advocacy by AHCJ urging the government to release the deficiency reports in an electronic format. Until now, reporters and the public had to file Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to obtain the documents, a process fraught with delays that can stymie timely public knowledge of problems at hospitals.

Health Journalism 2013

- [See coverage of the conference](#)
- [Program](#)

More than 750 people attended AHCJ's annual conference at the Seaport Boston Hotel and the adjacent Seaport World Trade Center.

Journalists participated in skill-building workshops and panel discussions. Many of them visited area research sites on Wednesday. Winners of the Awards for Excellence in Health Care Journalism were recognized at Saturday's luncheon. On Sunday, the conference concluded with the association's traditional "How To" sessions. The conference featured world-class speakers, important news briefings and helpful sessions all aimed at aiding reporters, editors and news producers in better covering the latest health issues.



Secrets of pitching: Tips, tricks and insight into editors' minds



Recorded March 5

featuring three top editors.

For freelancers and potential freelancers, pitching is job No. 1. AHCJ knows that; that's why every year, our annual [Health Journalism conference](#) offers [Freelance PitchFest](#), which puts you face-to-face with some of the biggest health editors in the country. Members attending PitchFest know they have to be ready to make a good impression in minutes — and members who won't be attending the conference, but are busy freelancers, want to know more about pitching too. AHCJ has your back with a webcast on pitching health stories that sell,

2012 winners named in top health journalism awards

An investigation revealing concerns about unnecessary treatments by private dental firms — along with stories showcasing the enormous financial toll of medical care and the cost of dying — were among the top winners of this year's Awards for Excellence in Health Care Journalism.

First-place awards also went to a series that investigated long-forgotten lead factories and the dangers they pose to nearby residents, coverage of the compounding pharmacy linked to the national outbreak of fungal meningitis, the toll obesity is taking on residents of one state and the effect of violence against those living with HIV.



Webcast on global aging issues

One key issue addressed at the recent World Economic Forum was the rapidly increasing global aging population; and how to prepare for its profound impact on global health, as well as the direct economic, social and political implications.

Global experts from the WEF Global Agenda Council on Ageing

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Essential coverage areas for health journalists

- Health Reform
- Aging
- Oral Health
- Medical Studies
- Other Topics

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Snapshots from #ahcj13 | Tom Parks

Tom Parks, health editor at SmartBrief, Charlotte, N.C.: What is the most pressing health issue in your community? The rejection of Medicaid ...

Snapshots from #ahcj13 | Rhonda Stewart

Which Health Journalism 2013 session did Rhonda Stewart like best? Hint: It involves global health. The Health Journalism 2013 Conference might be ...

Funding a critical issue in strengthening oral health #ahcj13

Often overlooked in overall health is the importance of oral health. But 100 million Americans lack dental benefits, and in 2009, there were 830,000 ...

Using Twitter, LinkedIn to diversify your sources #ahcj13

At KQED Public Radio's The California Report in San Francisco, part of my job is to connect with communities across California and find ...

Experts call for changing culture of youth sports to reduce dangerous injuries #ahcj13

Organizers of youth baseball leagues learned a simple truth over time — that if they let a pitcher throw without any limits, he was more likely to ...




Reporting Guides



Recorded Feb. 27

presented a report outlining key challenges/opportunities associated with global aging, including how to improve healthy aging through the innovation of global health systems and investment in long-term health options; as well as specific initiatives to seize the social and economic opportunity created by the aging population.

A recording of this webcast will be available soon.

Reporter's guide to health care antitrust issues

We don't normally think about local hospitals as cutthroat competitors seeking to put rivals out of business or operating monopolies that can charge whatever they wish because they've bought, intimidated or frightened away competition.

But anticompetitive behavior can exert real impact on health care pricing, access and quality of care.

As Mark Taylor tells us in this comprehensive tip sheet, antitrust issues are among the most underreported stories in health care. And that's a shame because, at their core, health care antitrust stories often include classic elements of conflict, greed, conspiracies, collusion and intense rivalry. Millions, even billions, of dollars are at stake. Find out what stories you might find in your community.



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Tip sheet:

Caregiving comes to the forefront of issues around aging

The challenges of caregiving are getting new attention from AARP and the federal government as baby boomers struggle to assist their aging, ailing parents. A recent ad campaign featured caregivers screaming silently in frustration over responsibilities such as taking a parent to the doctor or dealing with medical bills, while AARP expanded its resource center on caregiving.

Now, Judith Graham and Eileen Beal share facts, studies, story ideas and lots of resources for reporters to cover caregiving issues. This is a big topic that will only continue to grow in importance as the baby boomers age.

'A Life Hijacked:'

Project documents man's saga with Alzheimer's



Gary Rotstein

Gary Rotstein, the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette's* age beat reporter, has been following and writing about Alan Romatowski, a man with early-onset Alzheimer's disease since July 2008. His series, updated each Thanksgiving weekend, is a long-running chronicle of Romatowski's experiences, his decline, the impact on his family and others, to show what so many American families increasingly experience among the 5 million-plus dementia cases.

Rotstein writes for AHCJ about how the project got started, how he's handled telling the family's story sensitively and the kinds of stories he has written about Romatowski and his family.



Daniel J. DeNoon

Tips on covering medical studies on a deadline

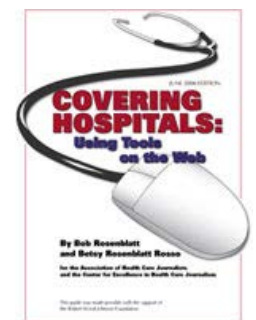
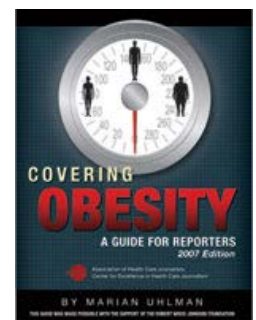
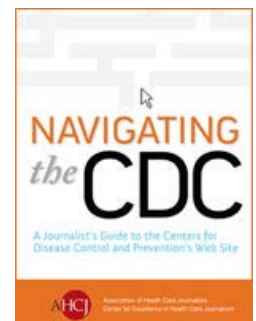
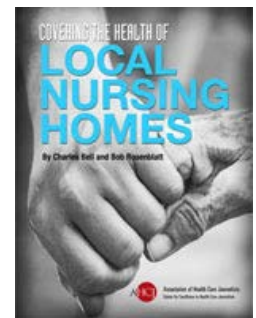
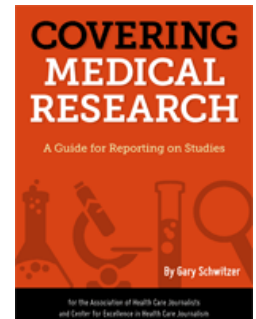
Deadline in a few hours? "Don't panic" is bad advice. It's not even possible when deadline looms and nobody has called you back. Managing that hot little ball of panic is key. Think of it as a controlled nuclear reaction from which you can draw energy.

Award-winning health reporter Daniel J. DeNoon shares his straightforward strategy for reporting and writing a news story about a journal article while on deadline.

He has tips about what parts of the study to read first, how to find experts to comment, how many people to interview and how to convey the importance of your deadline to your sources.

New resource will help reporters cover medical research

AHCJ has rolled out another Core Curriculum topic on its website. "Covering Medical



Studies” is the fourth in a series of core topic subject areas making up the curriculum. It is one of at least a dozen key subject areas the organization believes today’s health journalists will need to master to cover the beat well.

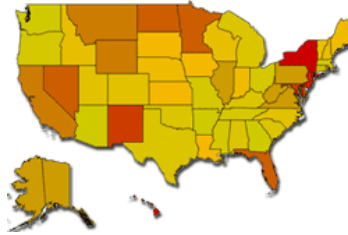
“Journalists are inundated daily with the latest medical studies,” said Len Bruzzese, executive director of AHCJ and its Center for Excellence in Health Care Journalism. “AHCJ has long promoted the need to understand the essential building blocks of covering medical studies. At the same time, we have tried to teach that such coverage comes with a certain responsibility to keep this information in context. This core topic content will serve both demands.”

Evaluate, report on quality of hospitals in your area

AHCJ offers [hospital mortality and readmission data](#), which will allow you to tell your audience whether a hospital’s rates are in line with national averages, significantly better or significantly worse. A special [AHCJ webinar](#) provided an introduction to this data, including ideas on how to use the data in your own area.


The federal survey that reflects [patients’ perspectives of hospital care](#) has been updated on the AHCJ website. The spreadsheets that AHCJ offers allow you to analyze the top-rated hospitals — or lowest-rated hospitals — in your area.

State-by-state breakdown of how patients rate hospitals, according to HCAHPS survey



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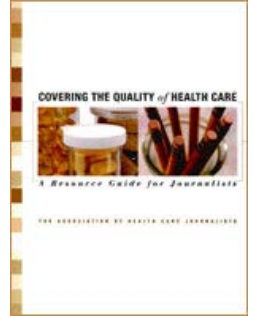
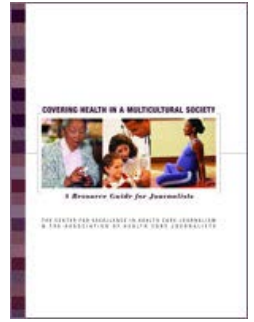


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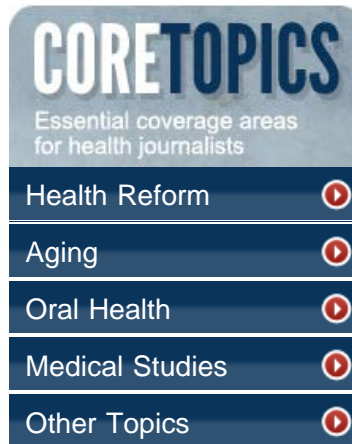
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