

Glossary of Acronyms

- ACPE**—Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education
- ADC**—automatic dispensing cabinet
- ADE**—adverse drug event
- ADR**—adverse drug reaction
- ADT**—admission, discharge, transfer
- AHA**—American Hospital Association
- AHRQ**—Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality
- APPE**—advanced pharmacy practice experience
- aPTT**—partial thromboplastin time
- ASHP**—American Society of Health-System Pharmacists
- ASMSO**—American Society of Medication Safety Officers
- BCMA**—bar code medication administration
- BCMSS**—Board Certified Medication Safety Specialist
- BCMV**—bar code medication verification
- CBPPS**—Certification Board for Professionals in Patient Safety
- CCA**—common cause analysis
- CCG**—clinical care guideline
- CDC**—Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- CDS**—clinical decision support
- CE**—continuing education
- CEO**—chief executive officer
- CI**—criticality index
- CMS**—Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
- CNO**—chief nursing officer
- CONT**—contingent (accreditation)
- CoP**—conditions of participation
- CPHQ**—Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality
- CPO**—chief pharmacy officer
- CPOE**—computerized provider order entry

CPPS—Certified Professional in Patient Safety
CQI—continuous quality improvement
CSG—clinical/service group
DNVHC—Det Norske Veritas
DSL—detection sensitivity level
EBOS—evidence-based order set
EC—environment of care (TJC standards)
ED—emergency department
EHR—electronic health record
EM—emergency management (TJC standards)
eMAR—electronic medication administration record
EMR—electronic medical record
EP—element of performance
EPA—Environmental Protection Agency
ESC—Evidence of Standards Compliance
FAQs—frequently asked questions
FDA—Food and Drug Administration
FMEA—failure mode and effects analysis
FOCUS—Find-Organize-Clarify-Understand-Select
FSA—Focused Standards Assessment
HAC—hospital acquired conditions
HEN—hospital engagement network
HFAP—Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program
HR—human resources (TJC standards)
HRO—high-reliability organization
IC—infection control (TJC standards)
ICD—International Classification of Diseases
ICM—intracycle monitoring
IHI—Institute for Healthcare Improvement
IID—intelligent infusion device
IM—information management (TJC standards)
IOM—Institute of Medicine
ISMP—Institute for Safe Medication Practices
IT—information technology
IV—intravenous

KSA—knowledge, skill, ability

L & D—labor and delivery

LASA—look-alike/sound-alike

LD—leadership (TJC standards)

LMWH—low molecular weight heparin

MAR—medication administration record

ME—medication error

MERP—medication error reduction plan; medication error reporting program

MM—medication management

MOS—measure of success

MS—medical staff (TJC standards)

MSC—Medication Safety Committee

MSDS—material safety data sheet

MSO—medication safety officer

MUE—medication-use evaluation

NAHQ—National Association for Healthcare Quality

NCC MERP—National Coordinating Council for Medication Error Reporting and Prevention

NF—nonformulary

NHS—National Health Service (U.K.)

NIAHO—National Integrated Accreditation for Healthcare Organizations

NICU—neonatal intensive care unit

NIOSH—National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

NNP—neonatal nurse practitioner

NPSA—National Patient Safety Agency (U.K.)

NPSF—National Patient Safety Foundation

NPSG—National Patient Safety Goals

NQF—National Quality Forum

OR—operating room

OSHA—Occupational Safety and Health Administration

P&T—Pharmacy and Therapeutics

PC—provision of care, treatment and services (TJC standards)

PDA—preliminary denial of accreditation

PDCA—Plan-Do-Check-Act

PFA—priority focus area

PGY1—postgraduate year one (residency)
PGY2—postgraduate year two (residency)
PI—performance improvement
PIS—pharmacy information system
POA—plan of action
POCT—point-of-care testing
PPMI—Pharmacy Practice Model Initiative
PP—policy and procedure
PSO—patient safety organization, patient safety officer
PT—prothrombin time
QI—quality improvement
RC—record of care, treatment, and services (TJC standards)
RCA—root cause analysis
RCRA—Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
REMS—risk evaluation and mitigation strategy
RFI—Requirement for Improvement
RI—rights and responsibilities of the individual (TJC standards)
RRT—rapid response team
RT—respiratory therapy
SAQ—Safety Attitudes Questionnaire
SBAR—situation, background, assessment, recommendation
SCIP—Surgical Care Improvement Project
SEA—sentinel event alert
SIG—Standards Interpretation Group
SOD—severity-outcome-detection
TJC—The Joint Commission
TPN—total parenteral nutrition
UFH—unfractionated heparin
UHC—University Health-System Consortium
USP—United States Pharmacopeia
VANCPS—Veterans Affairs National Center for Patient Safety
VBP—value-based purchasing
WT—waived testing (TJC standards)