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Joint Commission (JCAHO)
Consultants for Behavioral Healthcare



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Joint Commission (JCAHO) Survey Preparation

Barrins & Associates has proven expertise in preparing Behavioral Healthcare organizations for successful JCAHO Surveys. Our consulting team is led by a former Joint Commission surveyor. The team includes experienced Behavioral Healthcare leaders (nurses, social workers, and psychologists) as well as an engineer. All consultants have hands-on experience in directing successful JCAHO Survey Preparation in accredited Behavioral Healthcare organizations.

We have a proven strategy for survey success that we tailor to the needs of each unique Behavioral Healthcare organization. Our proven approach to successful JCAHO Survey Preparation includes the following:

Organizational Assessment

The comprehensive baseline Organizational Assessment evaluates your organization's current level of compliance with the specific JCAHO standards that are applicable to your organization. The assessment is tailored to your Behavioral Healthcare organization's specific scope of service, client population, and setting. This baseline Organizational Assessment provides the foundation for developing a Customized Survey Preparation Plan for JCAHO survey readiness.

Customized Survey Preparation Plan

The customized Survey Preparation Plan details the specific actions to be taken to bring your organization into compliance with JCAHO standards and be successful on your survey. The plan provides a roadmap and timetable for achieving a successful JCAHO Survey outcome. Our consultants work with your Behavioral Healthcare team to identify the action steps, target dates and responsible individuals needed to implement the Survey Preparation Plan.

JCAHO Standards Training

Training on the latest JCAHO standards and National Patient Safety Goals ensures that managers and staff understand the intent, rationale, and specific requirements of the standards. Our consultants provide customized training to ensure that your managers and staff understand how the various JCAHO standards are applied in your specific types of Behavioral Healthcare programs. We provide "best practice" examples for meeting the most challenging JCAHO standards.

JCAHO Survey Process Training

JCAHO Survey Process Training provides strategies for managing your next JCAHO Survey. We conduct training on the tracer methodology to ensure that your staff is prepared for the tracers conducted during the JCAHO Survey. Our consultants prepare your managers and staff for the key JCAHO Survey interviews.

Mock JCAHO Survey

The Mock JCAHO Survey provides a critical opportunity for your staff to experience the JCAHO Survey process and gain confidence in their survey presentation skills. The Mock Survey simulates the actual schedule of your JCAHO Survey and includes numerous tracers and all of the standard JCAHO Survey



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interviews. Our consultants are up to date on the most current JCAHO Survey techniques and can coach your managers and staff on how to handle challenging survey issues.

Environment of Care/Life Safety Code Review

We provide a Life Safety Code Specialist who is an engineer and expert on both the National Fire Protection Association Life Safety Code and JCAHO Environment of Care standards. We conduct a comprehensive review of your physical plant to determine compliance with the NFPA Life Safety Code. We also provide hands-on technical assistance with completion of the Statement of Condition required by JCAHO. In addition, we evaluate your organization's compliance with all of the JCAHO Environment of Care standards and develop an action plan for compliance on your JCAHO Survey.

[Contact us](#) today to design a customized JCAHO Survey Preparation Program for your Behavioral Healthcare organization!

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