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Biography
Ms. Gaffey is the President of Healthcare Risk and Safety Strategies. She is an industry-recognized career risk management, quality and patient safety professional with over thirty-five years of experience in healthcare, having served as the 2016 President of the American Society for Healthcare Risk Management. Ann provides innovative consultative services to healthcare organizations across the care continuum to develop, improve and enhance enterprise risk management programs and patient safety programs with emphasis on risk identification, assessment, analysis and prevention as well as risk management and patient safety education.

Ms. Gaffey has acute care risk management experience, with responsibilities including managing self-insurance and captive insurance programs, insurance purchasing, liability claims management, and traditional risk assessment and mitigation activities.

Ann is a frequent national speaker on topics related to risk reduction and management strategies in healthcare, enterprise risk management, and leadership. Ann has authored articles in the *Journal of Healthcare Risk Management*, co-authored in the *Risk Management Handbook for Healthcare Organizations, 6th edition, Healthcare Risk Management Fundamentals,* and authored in other publications.

In addition to her work with ASHRM and affiliated state chapters, Ann's involvement includes:

- 2019 Visiting Expert, Ministry of Health, Singapore
- Technical Expert, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Making Health Care Safer III Technical Expert Panel
- Society to Improve Diagnosis in Medicine (SIDM), Board Member (2020-2022)
- Coalition to Improve Diagnosis Advisory Task Force (2015-2020); Member, Advisory Council (2019-Present)
- National Coordinating Council for Medication Error Reporting and Prevention (NCC MERP) (2008-present); Vice-Chairperson (July 2011-December 2015, Present)
- National Perinatal Information Center, Board Member (2014-present), Chair (2019-2020)
- Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI), Committee on Best Practices for Selecting and Purchasing Complex Technology, Member (2017 – present)
- National Transitions of Care Coalition, Advisory Task Force Member (2008-2014)

Ms. Gaffey received her degree from the University of Virginia with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She also received her Master of Science in Nursing Leadership and Management from The George Washington University. Ann has achieved the CPHRM and DFASHRM designations and was awarded the ASHRM Distinguished Service Award in 2020. She currently serves as Faculty for the ASHRM Healthcare Risk Management Certificate Course and the Enterprise Risk Management Certificate Course, and previously served as adjunct faculty for the School of Nursing at The George Washington University.