

# HISHE Meeting TJC Survey Preparation

**Tuesday, May 11, 2021** 

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Zoom Webinar

RSVP by May 10, 2021 - Open to HISHE and ASHE Members



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Every year there are changes to The Joint Commission standards and the areas of focus or emerging issues change. This past year, with the COVID-19 pandemic, has brought many changes, including virtual surveys. This session will inform us on how to best prepare for our upcoming surveys; 1135 Waivers, new areas of focus, virtual surveys, and more.

This session will describe recent Joint Commission updates, including those related to new and proposed standards including Legionella, as well as the new virtual survey process, proposed time defined, changes in LSCS survey and expanding into free-standing Eds and ASCs. The session will include advice on how to prepare for surveys and suggestions regarding solutions to common findings and new trends. Attendees can ask questions and get answers directly from those overseeing Joint Commission Life Safety Code Surveyors.

- Describe how new updates, tools and surveyor processes will be used
- Implement a plan to prepare for and participate in surveys
- Initiate measures for a successful Life Safety Code survey
- Receive an update on Emergency Management

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James Kendig is the Field Director for the Life Safety Code Surveyors/Engineers at The Joint Commission. In this role, he oversees half (approximately 40) of the surveyor cadre who specialize in surveying The Joint Commission's life safety, environment of care, and emergency management standards.

Previously, Mr. Kendig also served as a Joint Commission Life Safety Code Surveyor. Prior to joining The Joint Commission, he was a Vice President and Safety Officer for a four-hospital system in Florida on the "Space Coast".

Mr. Kendig maintains certifications as a Certified Healthcare Safety Professional, Certified Hazard Control Manager, Certified Healthcare Environmental Manager, and is a licensed Healthcare Risk Manager. He serves on the faculty of the University of Central Florida's Licensed Risk Management Program.

Mr. Kendig holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree from West Chester University, West Chester, Pennsylvania. He is currently a resident of Florida.

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