

# The Emily Jerry Story: A Tragedy, a Trial, and a Triumph



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**Time: Sign in will begin at 7:45am  
Presentation is 8:00am – 9:30am  
Seating is first come, first served**

**Location: Raymond C. Firestone Auditorium  
Professional Center South  
Summa Akron City Hospital**

## Learning Objectives

- Discuss the events surrounding a medical mistake that resulted in a patient death and a criminal prosecution.
  - Identify the proposed 5 rights of the caregiver when a patient is harmed during the process of care.
- Identify the qualities of a safety culture that enhance harm prevention.
- Describe Summa Health System's "I'm 4 Safety" program elements.

## About the Presentation

Learn how the tragic story of two-year old Emily Jerry's untimely death from a medication error in Ohio in 2006 has positively impacted the entire patient safety movement. Emily's father, Christopher Jerry, turned tragedy into triumph through the establishment of The Emily Jerry Foundation and the passage of "Emily's Law" in Ohio in 2009. His passion for patient safety has grown to advocate just as passionately for the caregiver.

Eric Cropp has sixteen years of pharmacy experience, the majority of that time in the oncology field. Cropp was a pharmacist on duty when a technician under his supervision made an error in preparing chemotherapy intended for Emily Jerry. Emily died three days after the medication was administered. Cropp was ultimately convicted of involuntary manslaughter and served jail time.

Hear the compelling story of how Cropp and Jerry have teamed up in Emily's honor in an effort to improve patient safety.

For further information, please contact Maria Giannakos at 330-375-3164.

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