

Courtemanche & Associates Presents 2005 Best Practice Awards

Recipients Awarded at the C&A Annual Conference

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Courtemanche & Associates announced today this year's Best Practice Partners to recognize excellence in regulatory compliance and the delivery of quality patient care. Best Practice Partners were selected for demonstrated excellence in regulatory compliance, Patient Safety, Service Excellence, and commitment to systems improvement in healthcare and professional education.

The Best Practice Partner Award showcases organizations who have achieved organizational success by developing creative solutions to challenging issues, while enhancing the quality of care delivered to their communities. "This year our 2005 Best Practice Partners addressed challenging issues in their quest to improve healthcare and improve patient outcomes in care," said Judy Courtemanche, President of Courtemanche & Associates Healthcare Synergists. "Each year, we search for creative individuals and organizations who demonstrate excellence in healthcare and the ability to overcome healthcare challenges with innovative solutions and problem-resolution. We are proud to announce this year's awardees."

The 2005 Best Practice Partners are:

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

Julie Gillespie – Memphis, Tennessee: *"Continuous Survey Readiness and the Survey Coordinator"*

Coral Springs Medical Center

Ava Dobin – Coral Springs, Florida: *"Reducing Risk and Cost in Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia"*

Coral Springs Medical Center

Robin McElligott – Coral Springs, Florida: *"Reduction in Central Venous Catheter Infection Rates"*

Wescom

James Higbe – Jacksonville, Florida: *"Nurse Call Solutions for Healthcare"*

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