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The Betsy Lehman Center for Patient Safety earlier this week issued a new report on medical errors entitled [The Financial and Human Cost of Medical Error ... and How Massachusetts Can Lead the Way on Patient Safety](#). The report details two sets of research findings and also proposes a coordinated response through which the Commonwealth's providers, policymakers, and public can accelerate safety and quality improvement. The Betsy Lehman Center was launched in 2004 within the state's Executive Office of Health and Human Services and reestablished in 2012 as an independent entity within the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA). Mass Senior Care has been selected to participate as a member of the Massachusetts Health Care Safety and Quality Consortium. The Consortium will manage a process through which providers, payers, patient safety organizations, researchers, policymakers and patients will develop a "Roadmap to Patient Safety" for the state—a framework that establishes a vision and goals for improving safety in all healthcare settings in the Commonwealth.