



HAAHE Presents:

Managing Fire and Smoke Barriers in Today's Healthcare Environment

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Crowne Plaza, Reliant Park/Medical Center
8686 Kirby Drive, Houston, TX 77054

Program:

Managing barriers in today's healthcare facility can be a real challenge. There is a multitude of processes related to barriers and in any given week, a variety of trades and hospital personnel come in contact with them. The traditional approach to handling compliance issues is totally reactive. This approach is costly and really doesn't provide a true compilation of work being performed. Getting contractors back to make repairs after the fact is difficult, often leaving the facility to repair these infractions themselves. Improper penetrations in barriers continue to be one of the top 10 citations by inspection professionals. While code requires anyone penetrating a barrier to seal them to a specific standard, this is often incomplete, disregarded or misunderstood by those doing the installations. Maintaining the eSOC and PFI's can be costly, not to mention making repairs to something that has already been paid for. So how do healthcare facilities get a handle on this perpetual nightmare?

Instituting a proactive approach to managing vendors, documenting and inspecting barriers within a facility is best achieved by implementing the protocol to do so. In order to implement a protocol for managing vendors, you need a system that includes a permitting program, documents all barriers and penetrations, reports deficiencies, and ensures quality control throughout closeout inspections. With tightened budgets, increased regulatory requirements, and reduced staffing, maintaining these barriers by implementing a comprehensive barrier management program saves time, money and resources.

- We will discuss the possibilities of implementing a barrier program.
- What components should a barrier program have to be successful.
- We will discuss having a protocol from conception in new construction.
- We will discuss the importance of proper installations.

About the Speaker:

Kelly is the National Healthcare Manager for Specified Technologies Inc. (STI). Kelly has been in the firestop industry for over 20 years. He has implemented programs for managing barriers throughout the United States for over 15 years in existing spaces and new construction. He has also assisted Canadian organizations in similar efforts.



Kelly's notable projects include The Cleveland Clinic, Nebraska Medical Center, The Mayo Clinic, Dallas Parkland Medical Center, University Hospital, and John's Hopkins Medical Center along with many other organizations.

Kelly has become well known for his understanding of life safety requirements and solutions. Kelly has presented at many healthcare organizations around the country both national and regional.

About the Organization:

HAAHE is a non-profit group organized specifically for the benefit of the Healthcare Facilities Management team. Membership is focused on Hospital Facilities and Safety Management staff. In addition, Engineering Consultants, Contractors, Vendors, and Architects whose primary function is to provide consulting, design services, and products to the hospital engineering environment are welcomed.

The purpose of HAAHE is to provide a forum for continued improvement of hospital engineering in the greater Houston area. The venue for improvement will be through education, sharing of experiences between members, and presentations by experts in their respective field on a bi-monthly basis. If you are already a HAAHE member, please get involved by attending our meetings every other month. If you are not yet a member, you may join by completing a membership application at the next meeting. Lunch is included and will be free for paid members and \$15 for non-members.

For the Calendar year 2015, we are now accepting membership renewals. Membership fees will be:

Hospital employees:	\$50.00 annually
Vendors/Associates:	\$100.00 annually

Sponsorship:

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Location:

The Crowne Plaza Reliant Park/Medical Center is located at 8686 Kirby Drive, Houston, TX 77054. It is physically located at the northwest intersection of Loop 610 and Kirby Drive, across from Reliant Park. For directions:

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