



Sentinel Event Data

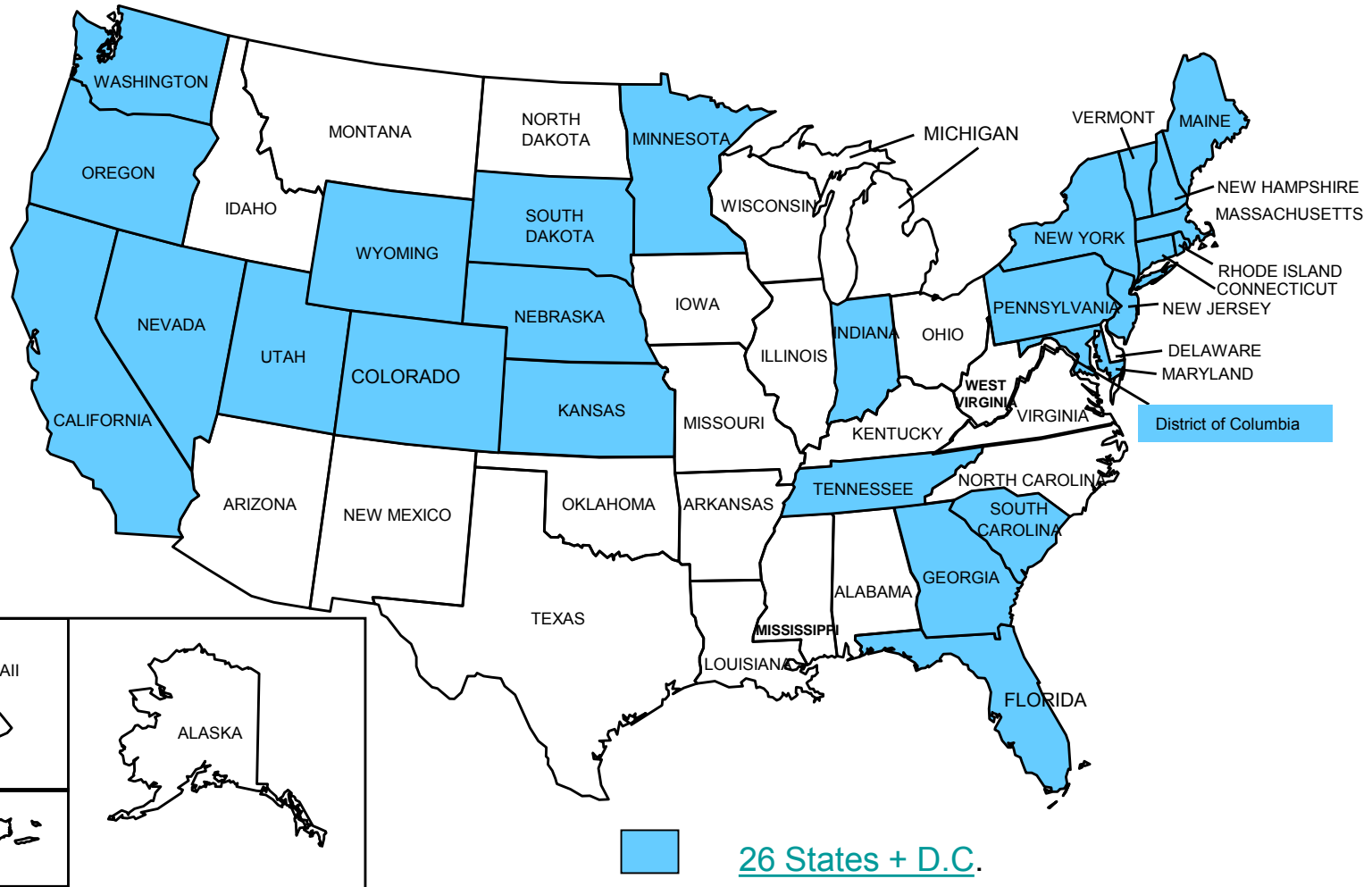
General Information

1995 – 3Q 2015

Data Limitations

- ▶ *The reporting of most sentinel events to The Joint Commission is voluntary and represents only a small proportion of actual events. Therefore, these data are not an epidemiologic data set and no conclusions should be drawn about the actual relative frequency of events or trends in events over time.*

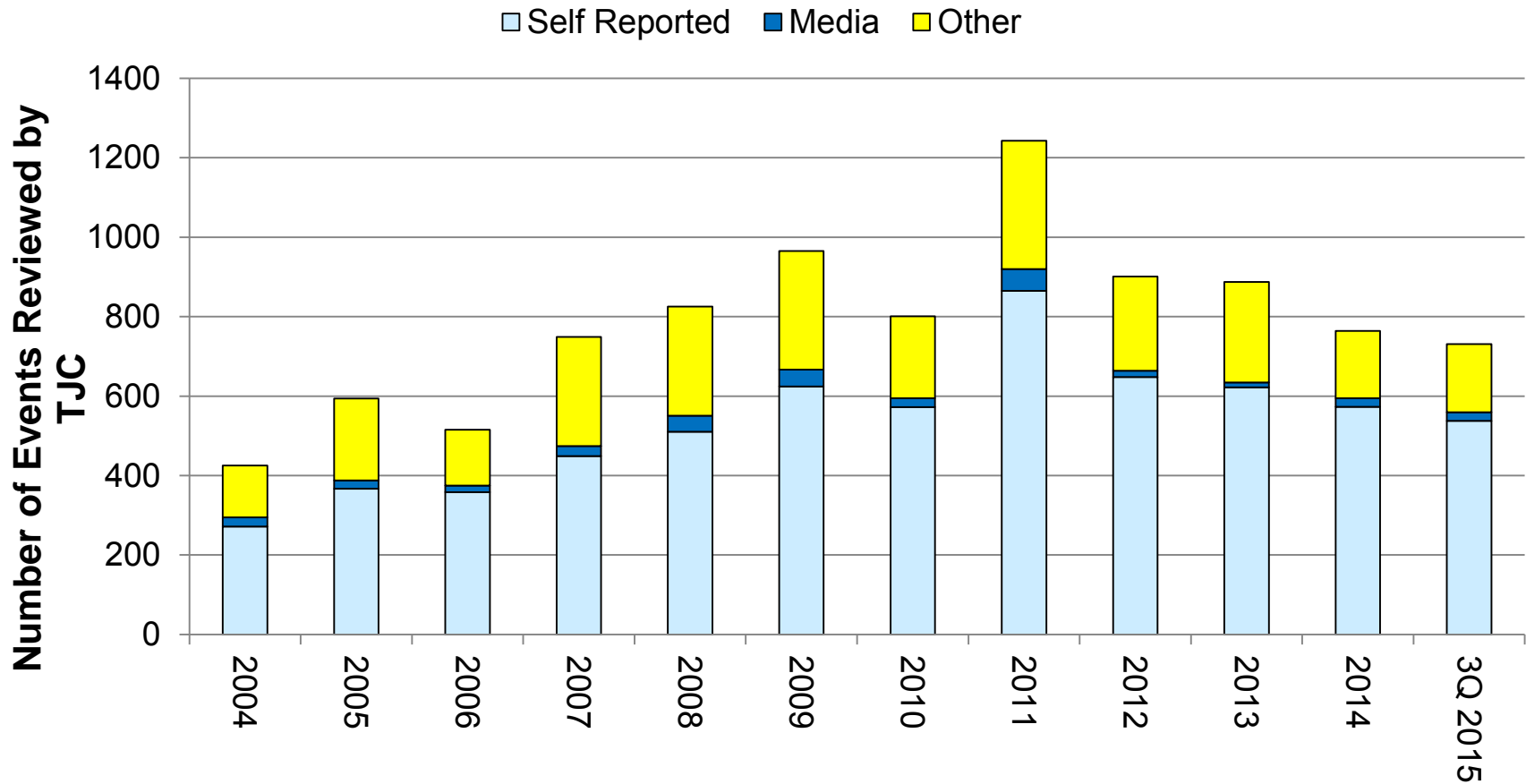
Adverse Event Reporting States



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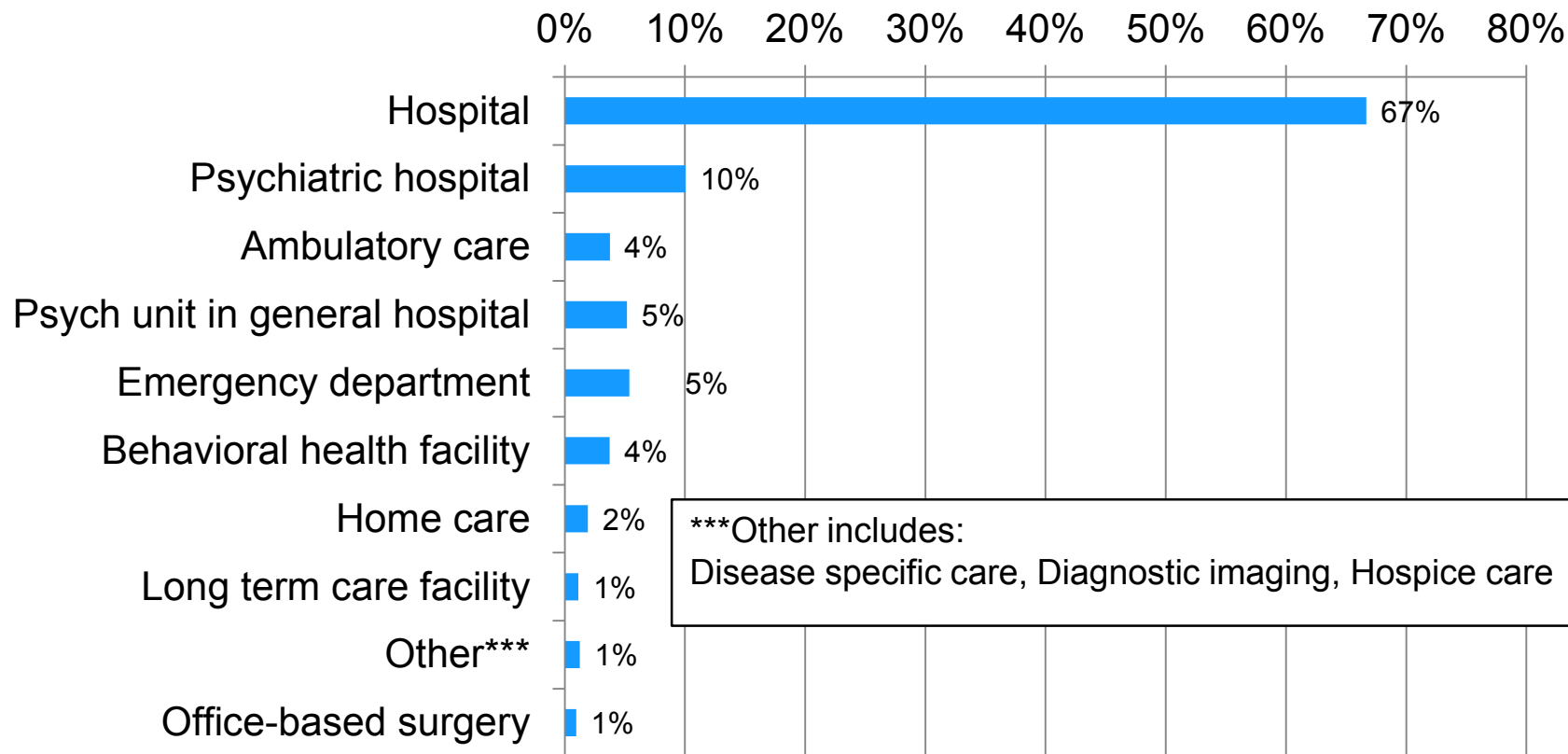
Sources of Reported Reviewable Sentinel Events 2004 through 3Q 2015

www.jointcommission.org/report_a_complaint.aspx



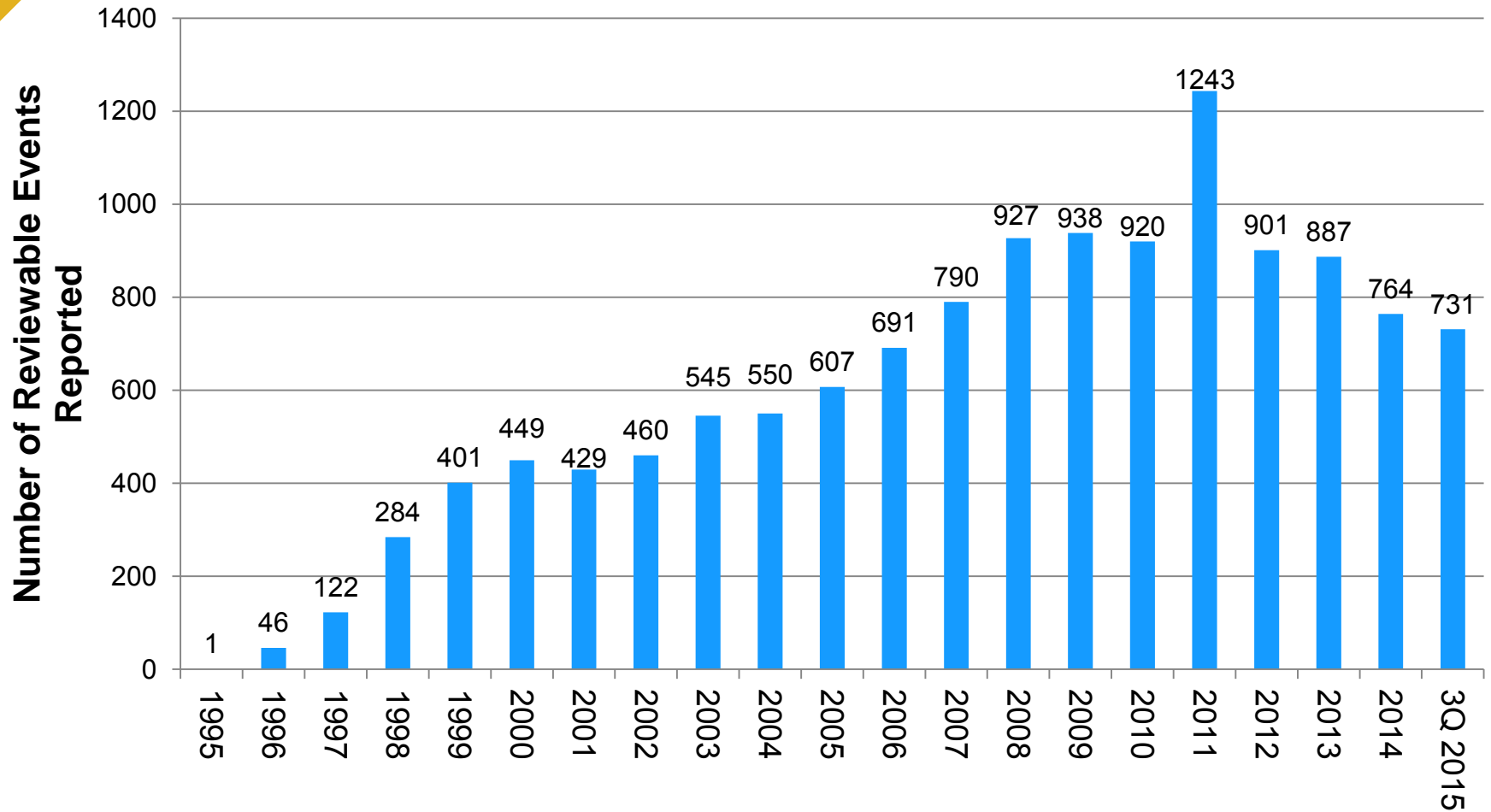
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Settings of Sentinel Events Reviewed by The Joint Commission 2004 through 3Q 2015



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Total Reported Sentinel Events by Year 1995 through 3Q 2015



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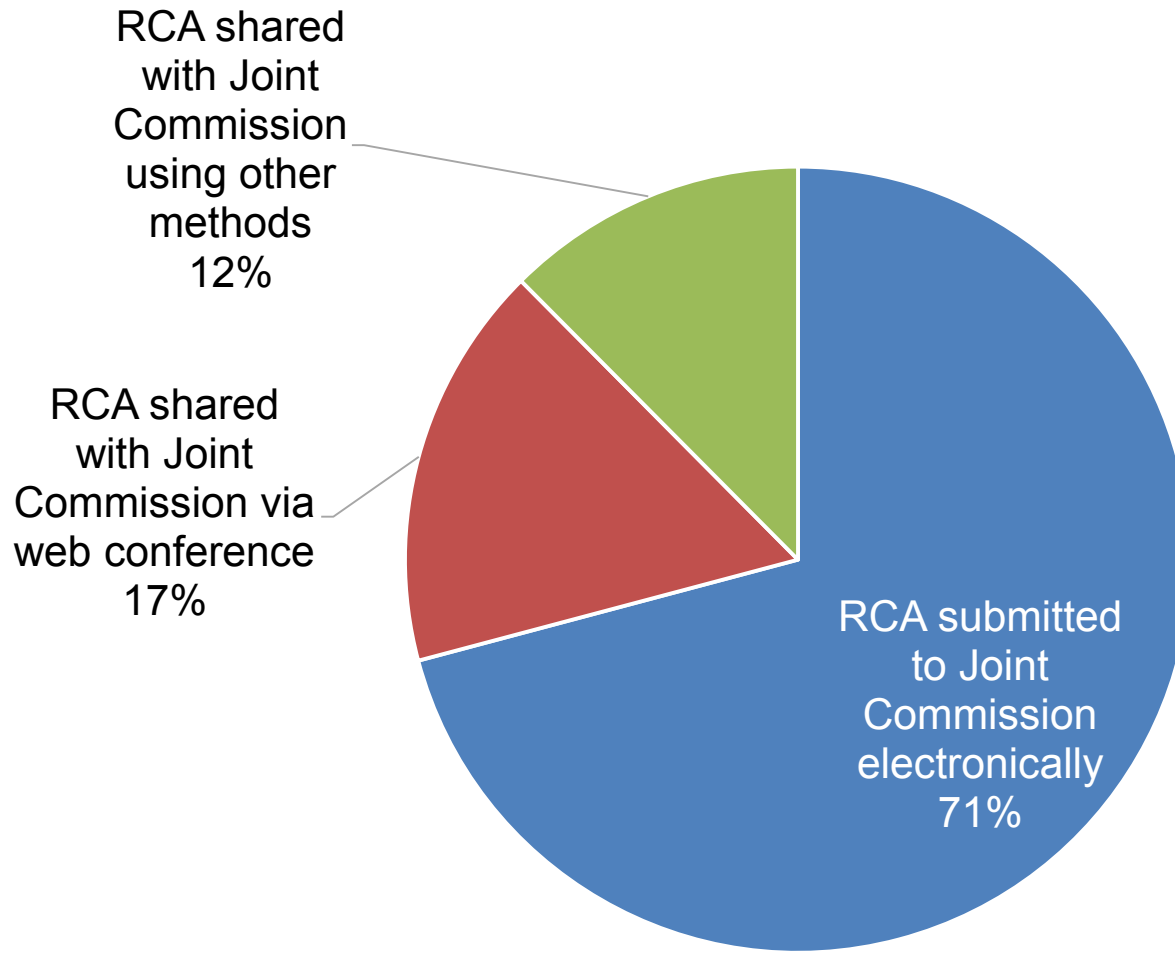
Most Frequently Reviewed Sentinel Event Categories by Year

2013	2014	3Q 2015
Delay In Treatment	Unintended Retention of a Foreign Body	Wrong-patient, wrong-site, wrong-procedure
Wrong-patient, wrong-site, wrong-procedure	Fall	Unintended Retention of a Foreign Body
Unintended Retention of a Foreign Body	Suicide	Suicide
Suicide	Other Unanticipated Event*	Fall
Fall	Delay In Treatment	Delay In Treatment
Other Unanticipated Event*	Wrong-patient, wrong-site, wrong-procedure	Op/Post-op Complication
Op/Post-op Complication	Op/Post-op Complication	Other Unanticipated Event*
Criminal Event	Criminal Event	Perinatal Death/Injury
Medication Error	Perinatal Death/Injury	Medication Error
Perinatal Death/Injury	Medication Error	Fire

*Other includes: Unexpected Additional Care/Extended Care, and Psychological Impact

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RCA Review Methods Selected by Accredited Health Care Organizations 3Q 2015



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