Crisis Preparedness

That middle-of-the-night phone call is coming. Is your team ready?

Leaders of healthcare organizations know their next high-stakes crisis is right around the corner, bringing with it the potential to derail a hard-earned reputation. With today's contentious and political healthcare landscape, it's even more critical that healthcare organizations anticipate risks and have a clear plan of action ready to go before it's needed. You want to be prepared now for tomorrow's inevitable challenge – to own the narrative instead of reacting to someone else's.

We can help.

For nearly 20 years, Jarrard Inc.'s crisis communications and government relations experts have worked alongside hundreds of healthcare leaders to anticipate and navigate the toughest of issues. Our deep bench of seasoned advisors is ready to jump in and provide guidance and tools to tackle threatening situations confidently and protect your reputation.





Our Work Together

When responding to a crisis, there's no room for error. We help you proactively identify risks and create a customized roadmap of recommendations tailored to your specific needs. Our efficient, yet comprehensive, approach includes:



30-day Crisis Readiness Assessment

Through analysis of existing crisis plans and interviews with key stakeholders, we evaluate your organization's crisis preparedness and identify risks, vulnerabilities and opportunities.



Leadership Training

We offer customized communications training to ensure your organization's top leaders are crisis-ready and able to serve as a calm-confident voice. Incorporating our deep experience with the modern media landscape, we equip your most important spokespeople with coaching and practical, proven tools and techniques to handle challenging interviews with the press. When crisis hits, they're prepared and camera-ready.



Crisis Preparedness Workshop

When it comes to readiness, there's no substitute for flexing your team's crisis management muscles with a tabletop scenario. Through a variety of hands-on drills and exercises, we'll lead your team through a customized Crisis Boot Camp so they feel ready to act quickly when an issue arises.



Crisis Communications Plan

Based on insights from the Crisis Readiness
Assessment, we build tailored resources, tools
and frameworks to guide your organization
through efficient and effective crisis
management. That means clearly defining roles
and responsibilities, mapping stakeholders and
articulating best-practice guidelines for response.



Rapid Response

Even the best-prepared organizations are sometimes blindsided by an unanticipated crisis. When that happens, our team is ready at a moment's notice, 24/7, to jump in alongside you, providing trusted support and strategic guidance through the thorniest problems. You can count on us to:

- » Partner with you to craft a comprehensive crisis response plan
- » Reach your internal and external stakeholders with strategic messaging
- » Monitor and analyze media and social media trends and coverage in real-time
- » Develop all needed written materials
- » Prepare your leaders and spokespeople for interviews
- » Position your organization to repair its reputation after the crisis subsides



Our Crisis Experience

We've seen it all. We've dealt with it all. We are your go-to experts in preparing for and addressing the thorniest issues, such as:

Social Media Firestorm	Employee Misconduct	Facility or Service Line Closures
Activist Media	Clinician Malpractice	Divestitures
Payer Contract Disputes	Qui Tam Lawsuits	Bankruptcy Filing
Labor Relations	Cybersecurity Issues	Loss of Accreditation
Patient Abuse	Certificate of Need (CON)	CMS Investigation/

About Us

With offices in the healthcare hubs of Nashville and Chicago, Jarrard Inc. is a specialized healthcare consulting firm devoted to helping leaders during high-stakes moments of change, challenge and opportunity. We use the power of communications, marketing and political strategy to help our clients achieve their most important goals. Our mission is to make healthcare better through our work. Founded in 2006, the firm has worked with more than 1,000 clients in 45+ states and served as a communications advisor on more than \$75 billion in announced M&A and partnership transaction communications. The firm focuses on change management, issues and advocacy, and strategic positioning. Jarrard Inc. is a division of Chartis, one of the nation's leading healthcare advisory firms. For more information, visit jarrardinc.com or follow us @Jarrardlnc.

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