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Michael DeVita is a critical care and palliative care physician who has had a long standing involvement in patient safety and process improvement. He started working in the field of Rapid Response Systems in 1997 after recognizing the frequency of preventable cardiac arrests at his hospital. He has published dozens of articles on RRS since that time. He was program director for 4 international Meetings on RRS,

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