Changing Anti-Entrapment Standards Referenced in the November 2020 VGB Act Update Session:

PHTA’s Technical Committee Chairman Steve Barnes of AquaStar Pool Products and Executive Director of the Abbey’s Hope Charitable Foundation Alan Korn will present Changing Anti-Entrapment Standards Referenced in the November 2020 VGB Act Update. They will address the latest changes to the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool & Spa Safety Act (VGBA) and the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC). Discover how federal law, the ISPSC, and the ANSI/APSP/ICC-7 Standard for Suction Entrapment Avoidance are saving lives by addressing various suction hazards. Learn why it is important for suction safety advocates to understand how and why VGB Act policies solve 4 out of 5 suction entrapment hazards, leaving hair entanglement as the hazard that no one is talking about. Hair entrapments represent 60% of the cases reported by the latest U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) report and these were not cause by a defective drain cover, they were caused by the wrong drain cover, or the drain covers were plugged with landscaping debris. Successful codes and standards are in place, now PHTA needs your help spreading word while knowing every pool and spa built in compliance with the ISPSC and ANSI/APSP/ICC-7 will be fully VGB Act compliant. These standards fully address existing, single-drain residential pools and spas, offering multiple options that are proven to work, when used.