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This activity should last for <b>30-90 minutes</b> depending on the complexity and size of the organization.					
Participants should include representatives from: Quality Assessment o	or Perfo	rmance	Improvement, Infection		
Prevention and Control, Leadership, (ie: hospital board members, senior			-		
and Therapeutics Committee, Pharmacy leader, Medical Staff, and Nursing					
OBJECTIVES	<u> </u>				
• To explore how the organization is using data to evaluate the					
safety and quality of care being provided to patients by					
learning about the performance improvement processes that					
are in place, including the management and use of data.					
• To learn about the development, planning, implementation,					
evaluation, and improvement of the organization's infection					
control program. This will include learning how data is being					
used to identify and manage outbreaks as well as reduce					
infection.					
• To understand how data is being used to monitor performance					
and improve medication management processes and safety					
throughout the organization.					
Review your organization's data and performance improvement project	ts and	be prep	pared to discuss the		
following topics:	1				
• Planning for data use: how does the organization identify and					
prioritize measurement and performance improvement projects?					
• Data collection methodology: how do you ensure that all data is					
collected as planned and that it is accurate and reliable?					
• What is the <b>data aggregation, analysis, and process</b> for turning data					
into useful information?					
• Data use in your organization: how is data used on an ongoing basis,					
how it is used in periodic performance monitoring, and project-based activities?					
•What <b>improvement methodology or tools</b> are being used in					
performance improvement initiatives?					
Data-related topics that will be discussed during this session include:					
• How is data being used to create a <b>culture of safety</b> ?					
How does Leadership identify and prioritize performance					
improvement projects?					
• What is the process for collecting <b>regulated data</b> such as for quality					
indicators related to improved health outcomes, and the processes to					
check the reliability and validity of the data, such as the appropriate					
scope of the organization included, frequency, accuracy, and					
timeliness?					
• How does the organization <b>evaluate</b> the performance improvement					
program for effectiveness, including covering the scope and					
complexity of hospital operations and locations, if applicable?					

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• What is the <b>program structure</b> , for example, committees,			
improvement project teams, and who is involved?`			
What proactive risk assessments have been performed and what			
was the subject of the last one completed?			
• Safety culture surveys: what were the response rates, what did the			
data reveal over time, and what improvements, if any, were made as a			
result of the data analysis?			
• What <b>tools</b> are in use to monitor patient perception of safety and			
quality of care; response rates, results, any benchmarks in use, and			
any safety improvement projects			
• What processes and methods are in use to identify errors, close			
calls, and actual adverse events and efforts to determine that these			
are effective? (Refer to standard PI.01.01.01 for specific data			
collection and monitoring requirements.)			
• Root cause analysis process: why and when are they performed?			
Patient Safety-Related Data Collection, Monitoring, and Analysis			
• How are you evaluating the effectiveness of the hospital's <b>suicide</b>			
prevention program?			
Pain management program: speak about pain assessment, pain			
management, including non-pharmacologic approaches, and safe			
opioid use in the organization.			
• Patient flow: What is the process throughout the hospital and			
specific areas of focus, for example, emergency department wait			
times, instances of patient boarding, bed availability, and throughput			
in patient care areas?			
• What is the <b>readmission rate</b> and how is this data being used?			
• What data is being collected on pain assessment, pain management			
and safe opioid use and how is that information being used?			
Antibiotic Stewardship			
o Who in the organization approves antibiotic stewardship			
protocols (for example, policies, procedures, or order sets are			
acceptable)?			
o Who makes up the antibiotic stewardship multidisciplinary			
team?			
o What does the data and reports for monitoring antibiotic			
use show and what improvement opportunities have there			
been as a result of that data?			
National Patient Safety Goal data			
• Contracted services performance monitoring : who is monitoring it,			
how often, who is the monitoring being shared with, how does this			
influence the renewal/discontinuation of the contract?			
What are the organization's priorities for data collection and			
performance monitoring?			
Staffing issues, compliance with employee health requirements			
Infection Prevention and Control			
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How has the Infection Prevention and Control surveillance data			
<b>collection,</b> monitoring implementation of evidence-based practices			
related to CLABSI, CAUTI, MDROs, and prevention of surgical site			
infections, been used for performance improvement?			
• What is the <b>process</b> for developing the Infection Control plan,			
policies, and procedures, and use of nationally recognized guidelines,			
laws, and regulations?			
• What procedures are in place to <b>minimize the risk of transmission</b> of			
multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs), and the relationship of these			
to the antibiotic stewardship program?			
How do you monitor front-line staff's implementation of evidence-			
<b>based practices</b> to prevent CLABSI, CAUTI, MDROs, and surgical site			
infections? How have the results been?			
• Hand hygiene: is HH compliance being monitored and what are the			
results showing?			
•Staff exposure interventions: is there a process for screening for			
exposure and or immunity to infectious diseases staff encounter,			
referral for assessment, potential testing, immunization and/or			
prophylaxis treatment, and counseling to those who have potentially			
been identified with an infectious disease?			
<b>COVID-19 vaccination requirements</b> – speak to the organizations'			
program for all staff, physicians, volunteers, vendors, visitors, etc.			
• Is there a plan and resource allocation for infection control activities;			
planning for the influx of patients?			
<ul> <li>Reporting of infection control data: who is responsible, the</li> </ul>			
methodology and flow of information including state and federal			
reporting of communicable diseases?			
Medication Management Processes			
• What is the Medication Management process for data collection,			
monitoring, and analysis for drug reactions, adverse drug events,			
controlled substance monitoring ?			
• What is the process for implementing pre-printed (or protocol)			
order sets including development, approval, and regular review?			
• Are <b>overrides</b> of automated dispensing systems monitored; analysis			
of data performed, and are any actions taken in response?			
• What is the process for <b>reporting</b> abuse and loss of controlled			
substances, data collection, analysis, systems evaluation, and			
performance improvement initiatives?			
What is the <b>process for reporting</b> , responding to, and analyzing	1		
medication administration errors, near misses, adverse drug reactions,			
and medication incompatibilities; use of this data to correct/improve			
performance ?			
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• Is there <b>education of staff and patients</b> regarding medication safety?		$\left  \right $	
• Is there <b>education of physicians</b> and other licensed practitioners			
regarding pharmacy policies, protocols, changes, etc.?         ©Courtemanche & Associates         Page 3 of 4	1		Updated 2/2023

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<ul> <li>Antibiotic stewardship program; education, influence, and impact         <ul> <li>o Is there involvement of medical nursing and pharmacy staff             in the antibiotic stewardship program ?                 o What is the composition of multidisciplinary committee and                 scope of oversight?                 o What processes have been implemented to optimize                 antibiotic prescribing?                 o Are evidence-based guidelines in use for common                indications for antibiotic use; compliance monitoring with</li> </ul> </li> </ul>			
guideline(s)? o Does the antibiotic stewardship program report to hospital leadership and prescribers?			
• Is there <b>monitoring data for changes</b> in prescribing patterns for antibiotics, opioids, or other medications; analysis of data, reporting of data, and any actions taken in response?			

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