

Elective: Pediatric quality & patient safety

Faculty mentors: Drs. Elizabeth Mack & Caughman Taylor

Duration: 2 weeks

Available to: PGY-2, -3, -4

Goals:

- Develop an understanding of and advocacy skills in QI for today's practicing pediatrician & subspecialist
- Provide a hands-on experience in QI, systems-based practice, and exposure to tools to apply in practice

Objectives:

- Complete readings and projects on quality patient care and optimal patient care systems
- Work in interprofessional teams to enhance patient safety and improve patient care quality
- Participate in identifying system errors and implementing potential systems solutions

Summary:

Residents will get exposure to organizational approaches to patient safety and quality improvement, and be an active participant and contributor to developing and implementing solutions to systems-based problems. Residents will participate in key safety/quality meetings at the organizational level. The curriculum is flexible and can be tailored to suit residents' interests, and residents are encouraged to contact the elective director 1-2 months in advance in order to customize the rotation to meet their interests. Residents will implement one system change based on an event or near-miss and begin a PDSA cycle to assess change.

Specific expectations:

1. **Hospital committee experience** (as below & others prn)

Meeting	Time	Place	Notes
CHOC	1 st Mon of month 0730	Derrick room	
PHQC	1 st Mon qomonth 1730	Corporate bd rm	Even months
Trauma outcomes	1 st Wed of month 1600	3 Med. Park, suite 200	
VAP	2 nd & 4 th Wed 1300	Catawba classrm, HH	Twice monthly
CH Leadership team	Every Wed 1400	CH admin suite (Shirley)	weekly
P&T	2 nd Thurs of month 1700	1501 Sumter- mtg rm2	
RRT/code	3 rd Mon of month 1400	Edisto classrm, HH	
CAUTI	3 rd Wed of month 0900	HH atrium classrm	
CLABSI	3 rd Wed of month 1000	HH atrium classrm	
NACHRI CLABSI	3 rd Wed of month 1500	Derrick or Rainey	
Safety Rounds	4 th Wed of month 1530	CH admin suite (Shirley)	
Pt care & safety	3 rd Wed of month 1700	3 Med. Park, suite 200	
Occurrence report rev	As scheduled, qomonth	14mp ste 400	Every other month
CH surg committee	As scheduled, quarterly	Derrick	
Peds sedation/anes	As scheduled, quarterly	Peds sedation	
Code assessments	As scheduled, qmonth	Sim center	

2. **Didactic & self-directed learning:** read & discuss articles below

- a) Fan E, et al. How to use an article about quality improvement. *JAMA* 2010;304:2279-2287
- b) Miller M, et al. Decreasing PICU Catheter-associated bloodstream infections: NACHRI's quality transformation efforts. *Pediatrics* 2010 ;125:206-213
- c) Perla RJ, et al. The run chart: a simple analytical tool for learning from variation in healthcare processes. *BMJ Qual Saf* 2011;20: 46-51
- d) Medical errors module on www.mysccm.org (see attached module instructions)
- e) Classen DC, et al. Global trigger tool shows that adverse events in hospitals may be 10 times greater than previously measured. *Health Affairs* 2011;30:581-589.
- f) Mack EM, et al. Clinical decision support systems in the pediatric intensive care unit. *Pediatric critical care medicine* 2009;10:23-28.
- g) Napper C, et al. Pediatrics and patient safety. *J Pediatr* 2003;142:359-60.
- h) Volpp KGM, et al. Residents' suggestions for reducing errors in teaching hospitals. *NEJM* 2003;348:851-855.
- i) Fernandez CV, et al. Strategies for the prevention of medical error in pediatrics. *J Pediatr* 2003;143:155-62.
- j) Stucky ER, et al. Prevention of medication errors in the pediatric inpatient setting. *Pediatrics* 2003;112:431-6.

3. **Incident investigation**

- Review last month's occurrence report summary and prepare to present to residents
- Chart review of most recent mortality and presentation at CH Leadership team
- Participate in SWAT (if infection or harm occurs in CH)
- Prepare safety rounds report and present to CH Leadership team & residents

4. **Individual project**

- Propose, modify, and implement system change based on occurrence report after review with CH Leadership team

Other suggested reading: *Checklist Manifesto, To err is human, Crossing the Quality Chasm, Complications*

Attachments: Articles, Module instructions