Quality improvement primer

EQIC compiled a selection of key resources to use for your quality improvement work. Please use these tools as a primer for onboarding new quality staff and continuing education for all staff in the following clinical and patient safety areas.

**Unit-based safety**
- Unit-based Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Toolkit - EQIC

**Process improvement**
- Process improvement fundamentals - EQIC

**Anticoagulation and venous thromboembolism**

**Primers**
- Clinical Practice Guidelines on VTE - American Society of Hematology
- Advancing Anticoagulation Stewardship: A Playbook - Anticoagulation Forum

**Assessment**
- Preventing Hospital-Associated VTE - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

**QI tool**
- Rapid-cycle Improvement Program VTE Assessment - EQIC

**Infections**

**Primer**
- Core Infection Prevention and Control Practices for Safe Healthcare Delivery in All Settings - CDC

**Assessments**
- Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection Prevention Tool - American Nurses Association
- C. difficile Infection Surveillance Tool - EQIC
- Checklist for Prevention of Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infections - CDC
- Surgical Site Infection Investigation Tool - AHRQ

**QI tools**
- TAP CAUTI Implementation Guide - CDC
TAP CLABSI implementation guide - CDC

Strategies to Prevent Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus Aureus Transmission and Infection in Acute Care Hospitals - Infectious Diseases Society of America and Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America

Strategies to Prevent Hospital-onset Staphylococcus aureus Bloodstream Infections in Acute Care Facilities - CDC

Strong for Surgery - American College of Surgeons

Culture of safety

Primer

Surveys on Patient Safety Culture® FAQs - AHRQ

Falls

Primer

Preventing Falls in Hospitals - AHRQ

Assessment

Morse Fall Scale for Identifying Fall Risk Factors - AHRQ

QI tool

RCIP Fall Prevention Assessment - EQIC

Glycemic management

Primer

The Glycemic Control Implementation Guide - Society of Hospital Medicine

QI tool

RCIP Glycemic Management Assessment - EQIC

Health equity

Primer

Health Equity Snapshot: A Toolkit for Action - AHA
Assessment

Health Equity Gap Analysis – EQIC

QI tool

Equity of Care: A Toolkit for Eliminating Health Care Disparities - AHA

**Opioids**

Primers

RADEO tool: Reducing Adverse Drug Events Related to Opioids Implementation Guide - SHM
Best Practice Summary - EQIC

Assessment

Opioid Surveillance Tool – EQIC

QI tool

ADE Gap Analysis for Opioids - EQIC

**Patient and family engagement**

Primer

Guide to Patient and Family Engagement in Hospital Quality and Safety – AHRQ

QI tools

PFAC Implementation Team Action Planning Worksheet 1 - EQIC
PFAC Implementation Team Action Planning Worksheet 2 - EQIC

**Pressure injuries**

Primers

Standardized Pressure Injury Prevention Protocol – Padula and Black
SPIPP Adult 2.0 Checklist – National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel

Assessment

The Braden Scale for Predicting Pressure Sore Risk – AHRQ
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RCIP Pressure Injuries Assessment - EQIC

Readmissions

Primers
Multiple-admission Patient Program Implementation Guide - EQIC
Care Partner Program Implementation Guide - EQIC
Reducing Hospital Readmissions by Partnering with SNFs Implementation Guide – EQIC

Assessment
Readmissions Surveillance Tool - EQIC

Sepsis

Primer
Hospital sepsis program core elements, technical resources and guidelines – CDC

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RCIP Sepsis Assessment - EQIC
Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guidelines and Bundles - Society of Critical Care Medicine

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