Healthcare Organization Commitment

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APSS

Have you reviewed the Patient Safety Movement Foundation’s Actionable Patient Safety Solutions (APSS)?
Yes
What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 14A - Falls and Fall Prevention in Adults

Commitment Name
Fall Prevention

How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent?
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Commitment Summary
Commitment will address the ongoing work already established by the Falls committee.

Action Plan
Falls are reviewed on the unit level at safety rounds and post fall hurdles. Assistant Nurse Managers review all event reports for falls on their units. All falls are reviewed and findings discussed at the Fall Prevention Committee meetings. The University of Vermont Medical Center recently switched to a new fall prevention tool. Fall prevention policies and care plans have been updated to reflect those changes. The Fall Committee uses data collected from event reports and internal Statit reports, including Root Cause Analysis reports. The organization will continue the use of bed and chair alarms. Will work on obtaining a medical director for the Fall Committee, as well as bedside nursing and nurse assistants. K-cards will be a method for sharing best practice related to fall prevention

Impact Details

Lives Saved

Methodology for Determining Lives Saved:
Will use Vizient Clinical Database for metrics