Healthcare Organization Commitment

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Commitment Details

Commitment Name
Reduce Catheter Line Associated Blood Stream Infections

What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 2F - Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infections

How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent
22

Commitment Summary
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Commitment Description & Detail

Action Plan

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Commitment Timeline

This commitment will be ongoing