Healthcare Organization Commitment

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Commitment Details

Commitment Name
APSS #9 Preventing Sepsis

What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 9 - Early detection and treatment of sepsis

Commitment Start Date
01/01/2018

How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent
**Action Plan**
The focus of our efforts through the Sepsis Committee is to increase compliance with current evidence-based guidelines. A dashboard has been created for tracking of compliance with the sepsis bundle elements. Data and non-complaint cases are disseminated to physician leads and sepsis committee for review and to identify opportunities for improvement. Case information and education is discussed and provided as needed to physicians, nurses and pharmacists. Additionally, information related to processes and protocols, current guidelines, IT system upgrades, chart addenda, coding changes/corrections and corrective improvement actions are discussed at the Sepsis Team meeting as needed. Electronic workflows to facilitate best practice and appropriate, timely treatment have been previously implemented and are being refined due to transition to a new EMR. An order set for sepsis care is also being embedded into the new EMR. A nurse-driven sepsis screening system has been implemented for early identification of potential sepsis cases and use of a care algorithm. Sepsis is monitored by hospital leadership through the organizational crosswalk for progress accountability.

**Commitment Timeline**
Actions are in place and will be ongoing throughout 2018.

**Impact Details**

- **Lives Lost in Last Calendar Year**
  0

- **How many lives do you expect to spare from harm in the next calendar year?**
  0

- **How many lives do you expect to save in the next calendar year?**
  0

**Methodology for Determining Lives Saved**
Lives saved calculation is reflected in APSS #1. Awaiting measurement period results to calculate lives spared harm per formula above.