Healthcare Organization Commitment

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Commitment Details

Commitment Name
Challenge #15: Optimizing Nasogastric Feeding and Drainage Tube Placement and Verification

What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 15 - Nasogastric tube (NGT) placement and verification

Commitment Start Date
01/01/2018
How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent
1

Action Plan
The use of CorTrak for nasoenteric tube placement is in place; this imaging technology allows visualization of tube placement in real time to support appropriate intervention should misplacement occur. All nasoenteric feeding tube insertions are confirmed with X-ray post-placement. There is a "super-user" group who receive specialized training for this placement; insertion of these devices is limited to this group, and annual education occurs. A random sampling of tracings from CorTrak are reviewed for quality purposes. If a Salem sump drainage tube is converted for short-term feeding, placement is confirmed with X-ray prior to administration of tube feeding.

Commitment Timeline
January-December 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
Housewide mortality will be used for this APSS; see APSS #1 for reporting on this metric.