Healthcare Organization Commitment

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Commitment Details

Commitment Name
Adverse Drug Event Reduction

What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 3A - Medication Errors

How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent
21

Commitment Summary
medication errors have become increasingly common in the medical industry around the world. Medication errors contribute both directly and indirectly to patient morbidity and mortality and have been associated with injury, death and a sharp increase in medical cost. These also impact the medical community. The psychological trauma to healthcare professions who commit medication errors are a significant health concern because they pose significant negative impact on personal confidence, practice and status.

Commitment Description & Detail
• Leadership embedded in project governance • Enhance data reporting and tracking • Resource allocation to performance improvement

Action Plan
• Multi-disciplinary team providing guidance on workflow and best practice • Monitor overrides of Barcode Medication Administration • Monitor and correct overrides of smart IV pumps • Pharmacy management of Smart Pump formulary • Opioid reduction program • High risk drug management workflow • Distraction Free zones during medication administration

Commitment Timeline
Ongoing as we strive for zero

Impact Details

Lives Saved

Lives Spared Total = 53.898

For reporting purposes, the number has been rounded up to the nearest whole number.

Lives Spared Total
54