Healthcare Organization Commitment

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Commitment Details

Commitment Name
2019 SSI Reduction Initiative

What Patient Safety Challenge does your Commitment address?
Challenge 2C - Surgical Site Infection

Commitment Start Date
01/01/2019

How Many Hospitals Will This Commitment Represent

Patient Safety Movement Foundation | patientsafetymovement.org
Commitment Summary
A recent prevalence study found that SSIs were the most common healthcare associated infection; accounting for 31% of all HAIs among hospitalized patients in the U.S. The reduction of Surgical Site Infections takes an all-encompassing, multidisciplinary, approach to ensure that best practices are followed for every surgery on every patient. This includes the entire perioperative continuum: from the initial meetings with surgeons, continuing to the operative and hospitalization period, and extending all the way through discharge and at home care.

Commitment Description & Detail
For 2019, Hoag has made SSI reduction an organizational priority. This includes engaging for key players: the surgeons, the perioperative department, the nursing floors and the patients themselves. Results and challenges are reported to the relative committees and ultimately to the quality oversight committee.

Action Plan
The actions that our organization has committed to include but are not limited to the following: Surgeon engagement: aligning NHSN categories with service lines or institutes, SSI notification letters to surgeons, RCA reviews, individualized bundle compliance reports, and adding contract incentives around bundle compliance. Perioperative team engagement: performing internal audits, service line bundle compliance reports, data awareness of SSI metrics, RCA reviews Nursing unit engagement: clinical ladder CHG bathing projects, unit specific bundle compliance reports Patient engagement: pre-op education, at home CHG bathing, post-op education

Commitment Timeline
March 2020

Impact Details

Lives Saved

Lives Spared Total = 0.02520000000000014

For reporting purposes, the number has been rounded up to the nearest whole number.
Lives Spared Total 1