

Patient Safety in the AMEDD...

what you need to know in 5 minutes or less.



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The Army Patient Safety Monthly Newsletter Debut

The U. S. Army Patient Safety Center is initiating a monthly newsletter to highlight important news and information pertinent to PSM's and PSO's, but with a new twist... a one page quick read format filled with relevant information. We hope you like it!

Patient Safety Conference August 2010

Best Practices showcased at the conference break-out sessions can be found on the QMO site under: Resources and Tools > Education Tools > (1) Precautions and (2) Precautions Patient Education.

Stay tuned for a full recap of the conference in an upcoming DoD Patient Safety newsletter.

TeamSTEPPS®

The MEDCOM PS Center welcomes Phyllis Toor, RN, former PSM from Heidelberg, as the new Patient Safety Nurse Consultant and MTF TeamSTEPPS Coordinator. Phyllis Toor will set the stage to develop and coordinate regional training opportunities throughout MEDCOM. Training occurring in October included Ft. Myer and Ft. Sill. Train the Trainer and Train the Staff were implemented. Phyllis continues to partner with the DoD PS Center in coordinating training efforts at WRMC.

Dental PS has 100% regional Train the Trainer completed. Ninety-five percent have been trained up in the 4 hour Train the Staff. Europe Regional Dental Command (ERDC) PS team conducted a Patient Safety Advocates conference in Sept. Forty-five PS Advocates came together to learn about PS and TeamSTEPPS. In an effort to move the program down to the grass root level, ERDC is taking PS and TeamSTEPPS to the frontline staff educating and coaching teams to develop a sustainable program.

Robbie Sjelin will be speaking at the upcoming AMSUS conference being held in Phoenix this year. She will be presenting PS and TeamSTEPPS updates to the DENCOM Leadership.

BPSM Course

New course added to the schedule. November 1-5, 2010 is the next upcoming course and January 10-14, 2011 was added due to the number of participants waiting to attend the training.

Upcoming Events:

Joint Commission Conference	17-19 Nov 2010
IHI 22nd Annual National Forum	5-8 Dec 2010
Basic Patient Safety Manager Course	10-14 Jan 2011 (Apr, May 2011 Dates TBD)

Army Clinical Outcomes Program (ACOP)

Dr. Lee Richard recently left MEDCOM for a new position with the VA. We ask facilities who currently participate in the ACOP to continue to submit your data as we evaluate the current status of the program.

Patient Safety Reporting System (PSR)

Coming soon to an MTF near you! Beginning in Nov 2010, the PSR system will be implemented in facilities across the DoD. For the Army MTFs, implementation will begin with the NRMC in Nov 2010, followed by SRMC, WRMC, PRMC and finally ERMC in May 2011.

We have conducted regional briefings with NRMC, SRMC and WRMC, and will schedule briefings with PRMC and ERMC early in 2011. Additionally, you should have received the Question Box answers to those questions posed at the conference regarding the PSR. If not, contact Ms. Cheryl Brown for a copy.

TapRoot®

TapRooT v.5 should be approved for use by the DoD within the next 60 days. Continue to use the current MHS version 4.1.1 until guidance is received from DoD on the implementation of the new version. Stay tuned!!

Patient Safety Manager Farewells

Joy Des Rosier, Landstuhl RMC, Aug 10
Robin Canuela, BAMC, Oct 10
Terri Sharp, WRAMC, Oct 10

Patient Safety Manager Hails

Terri Sharp, Heidelberg
MAJ Erich Heitman, DDS, WRAMC DENTAC
MAJ Mark Vance, KY, DDS, Ft. Knox DENTAC

"Working Today for a Safer Tomorrow!"

Did you know.....

- Clinical FMEA's completed at an MTF as part of a Lean Six Sigma project can be used to meet the Joint Commission requirement?
- True or false: The number one PC top finding for AMEDD facilities on survey is PC.01.02.03; The hospital plans the patient care.. (Answer in the next issue)