

FALLS COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes

Date: March 17, 2015

Attendance: Sally Adams; Pam Adzima; Kathryn Beardshaw; Nancy Hewson; Kerrie Iannuccilli; Tracey Krebs; Joe Love; Roberta Martinelli; Joyce Pierron; Karla Poncegil; Corine Rice; Mary Toma; Trang Truong; Carla Zeluff; Karen Ortlipp; Pearl Kim

Topic	Discussion	Action	Follow-up
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes from January Feb 17, 2015 meeting were presented for review and approval. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes were approved as presented. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Report 	<p>Carla reported on the February Fall Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Twenty-five (25) patient falls were reported in February. February fall rate was still below the Corporate benchmark, but creeping closer to the benchmark Fall rates for Days and nights equal, several at change of shift Majority were 60-80 years of age 1 injury-head laceration Carla will laminate the fall scores and interventions for posting on each unit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All will continue to make efforts to reduce the fall number in their area of responsibility. Discussion if still want the laminated interventions for the departments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor fall rate. <p style="text-align: center;">Open</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falls Prevention Campaign Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judy continues to provide a patient fall prevention presentation every Tuesday at 11:00am. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All new employees are expected to attend. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continues
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Education on LMS on Hold at this time 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open
MISCELLANEOUS:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CNO Meetings Fall Review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynn will continue to hold monthly meetings with personnel involved in a fall event.. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting scheduled for April 1st at 8:00am in room 1B. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Present and Review the

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was decided that if all available fall precautions were not in place at the time of a fall, the employees involved would receive a verbal level I, counseling. 	<p>information obtained at the monthly CNO meeting</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Availability of Prevention Aids on Units. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion regarding items available in departments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All will check to see they have equipment needed and know where it is. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor supplies and present at April Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Reduction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lynn requested that a focus be on the reduction of falls in patients 60 – 90 since most falls happen in that patient population. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All focus on reduction of falls in 60 – 90 population. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review at April meeting.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falling Star Signs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 300 signs ordered- here? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Signs have not arrived. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Prevention Materials 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It would be good to have all fall prevention items in one place. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was suggested by a new CNA member that all fall prevention items be in one location and in Yellow Bins. Joe will check into feasibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review at April Meeting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> RCAs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Corine stated a common theme at the RCAs/debriefing is staff stating they don't know where fall prevention items are CVCU/PCU do not have Parasol Alarms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All managers continue to speak to staff regarding fall prevention items and supply locations Joe to contact rep for installing additional alarms in CVCU/PCU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approved
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next meeting will be April 21, 2015 at 2:00pm Conference Room 1B. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting April 21, 2015.