

FALLS COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Date: May 19, 2015

Attendance: Pam Adzima; Linda Deal; Mary Finayev; Sharon Greenwood; Tracey Krebs; Joe Love; Steve McMillan; Esmeralda Mendoza; Joyce Pierron; Karla Poncegil; Judy Ricci; Corine Rice; Karla Ruggiero; Lisa Sperry; Mary Toma; Janet Wright; Franciene Zimmer

Topic	Discussion	Action	Follow-up
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Minutes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The minutes from February 17th and March 17th were reviewed. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corine Rice moved to approve the minutes for February. Carla Zeluff seconded the motion. • Corine Rice moved to approve the minutes for March. Joyce Pierron seconded the motion. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Report 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steady decline; YTD 1.76 April 1.31, still well below HHS benchmark • Discussion why falls are still occurring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Interventions not in place ○ Communication and handoff incomplete ○ Procedure variance • Hopefully have only non-preventable falls. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to make efforts to avoid falls. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to monitor.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Falls Prevention Campaign Update 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Week of August 25th for skills/safety fair. • All Quality groups will be presenting. • Steve McMillan is requesting ad hoc group for Falls Committee to present/man stations. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep updated at next meeting.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education Plan 	<p>a. Competency: Not in LMS at this time. The actual competency (in packet) is to be used by preceptors for their new staff to review and sign.</p> <p>b. Weekly Fall Prevention Class: Continues each Tuesday at 11:00am. Requesting additional volunteers to help present when Judy Ricci is not available.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to update.

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	<p>c. Hospital Orientation: Judy Ricci will discuss with Alicia Dittenhoefer, HR to add to monthly hospital orientation.</p> <p>d. CNO Meetings/Debriefings: Much less intimidating than in the beginning. Continuing educational opportunities and information.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Intervention Sheets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need to laminate additional Fall Risk sheets to place outside patient rooms. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Judy will have Geri laminate more sheets. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More Fall Risk sheets will be laminated.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High Risk Fall Pack 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe Love agreed to supply socks and yellow wrist bands separately to reduce waste of other items that are not used or when only needing one item. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Closed.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communication of High Fall Risk Patients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lengthy discussion and ideas presented by attendees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall information presented to Bedboard. Handoff and Huddles Transition report and charge-to-charge report Education of ancillary personnel (especially Dietary when they start passing meal trays on the nursing divisions) 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to follow up.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group agreed that attendance at the Fall Meetings should include Therapy Services, Radiology, Dietary, Transport and Volunteers. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send notice for attendance.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Miscellaneous 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe Love spoke about EOC recommending / trialing item (Beta Clasp) to keep cables, lines, etc. off floor in patient rooms. 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next Meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next meeting will be June 16, 2015. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send a representative if unable to attend. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> June 16, 2015