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**Quality Committee
Meeting Agenda**

January 18, 2023 1:00 PM

Microsoft Teams Meeting: [LINK](#)

Call In Number: 1-279-895-6380

Phone Conference ID: 514 499 291#

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Attendees

Tom Guyn, M.D., Quality Committee Chair
Les Cufaude, Director

Chris Bjornberg, CEO
Jack Hathaway, Director of Quality

1	CALL MEETING TO ORDER	Chair Tom Guyn, M.D.		Approx. Time Allotted	
2	CALL FOR REQUEST FROM THE AUDIENCE - PUBLIC COMMENTS OR TO SPEAK TO AGENDA ITEMS				
3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES				
	3.1	Regular Meeting – October 19, 2022	Attachment A	Action Item	2 min.
4	HOSPITAL QUALITY COMMITTEE REPORT			Report	10 min.
5	DIRECTOR OF QUALITY	Jack Hathaway	Attachment B	Report	5 min.
6	OTHER INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS			Information	5 min.
7	ADJOURNMENT: Next Regular Meeting – February 15, 2023				

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Board of Directors
Quality Committee
Minutes

October 19, 2022 @ 1:00 PM
Fully Remote Teams Meeting

These minutes are not intended to be a verbatim transcription of the proceedings and discussions associated with the business of the board's agenda; rather, what follows is a summary of the order of business and general nature of testimony, deliberations and action taken.

1	CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Board Chair Jeanne Utterback called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm on the above date.		
	BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:		STAFF PRESENT:
	Jeanne Utterback, President Tom Guyn, MD., Director		Jack Hathaway, Director of Quality Keith Earnest, CCO Pam Sweet, Scribe
	Excused ABSENT: Chris Bjornberg, CEO		
2	CALL FOR REQUEST FROM THE AUDIENCE – PUBLIC COMMENTS OR TO SPEAK TO AGENDA ITEMS		
	None		
3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES		
	3.1	A motion/second carried; committee members accepted the minutes of September 21, 2022	Guyn, Hathaway Approved by All
4	Hospital Quality Committee Report		
	Written report submitted. There are problems with data validity we expect to be resolved with implementation of Cerner. Data pulled by reports does not match the input in some cases (example Imaging). Also, need to encourage staff to enter data as it occurs and correct workflow issues. It is important to identify the workflow issues now and not carry them over to Cerner.		
5	Director of Quality Report		
	Written report submitted. ACHC vs. TJC: Met with ACHC representatives. ACHC focuses more on critical access hospitals. Agree TJC is the gold standard but may not be best for our needs. Talked with UC Davis about Centers for Rural Excellence designation. They will accept any accreditation, not just TJC. Waiting for ACHC to send us information on the differences. Dealing with Covid in Long Term Care.		
6	OTHER INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None		
7	ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION: 2:15 pm		
	7.1	MEDICAL STAFF CREDENTIALS – GOVERNMENT CODE 54962	
	MEDICAL STAFF APPOINTMENT Haroon Rehman, MD – Oncology		
	MEDICAL STAFF REAPPOINTMENT David Panossian, MD – Pulmonary Care Julia Mooney, MD – Pathology		
	MED STAFF CREDENTIALS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.		
8	RECONVENE OPEN SESSION: 2:20 pm		
9	ADJOURNMENT: at 2:25 pm Next Regular Meeting – November 16, 2022		

Report to accompany the data provided.

This month you will see 3 excel documents that I have provided 2 of them are LEAN documents that help in tracking changes that we have made or are making in the hospital. The SNF BP Med Errors work has been completed and the changes and tracking are captured in the RL6 Dashboard. The ACHC Master LEAN plan speaks to the future and how we will be working towards accreditation on that front.

The RL6 Dashboard shows all of the reports that we have had in 2021 and 2022 in a graphic representation – just to give an idea of what we have been reporting internally – I can go into more detail about actions taken or improvements documented through our discussion.

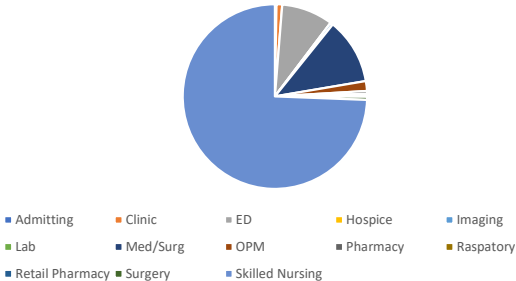
Give everything a look and we can review and discuss as you like during the meeting. I plan to be using these LEAN tools to track our QAPI progress and any special or specific projects that we will be identifying and working on through the accreditation process with ACHC or as we identify the need to change workflows internally. So, this is a kind of soft introduction to how I hope to continue things into the future.

Thank you,

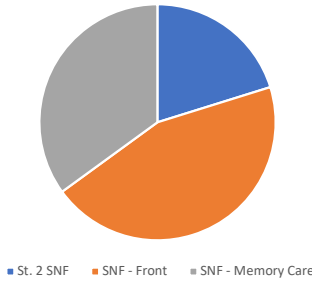
Jack Hathaway | Director of Quality

Mayers Memorial Healthcare District - RL6 Dashboard

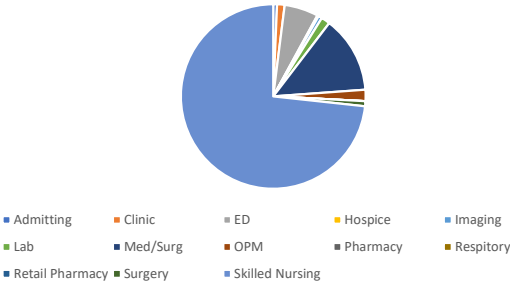
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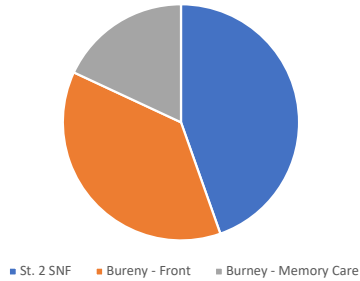
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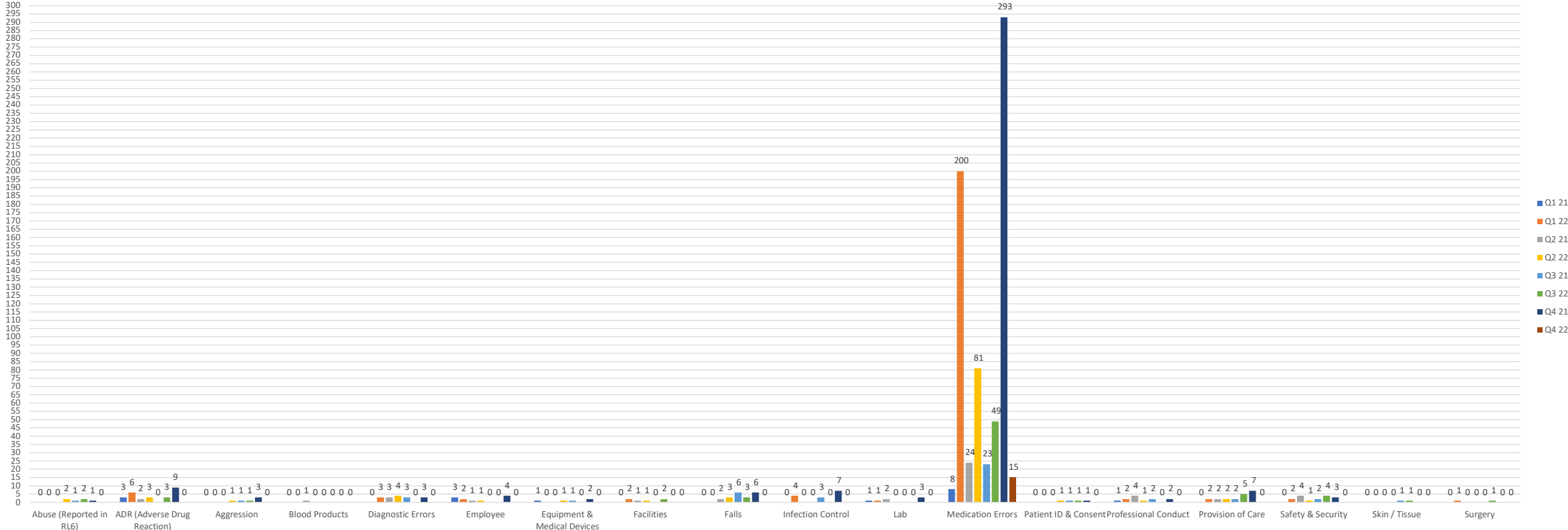
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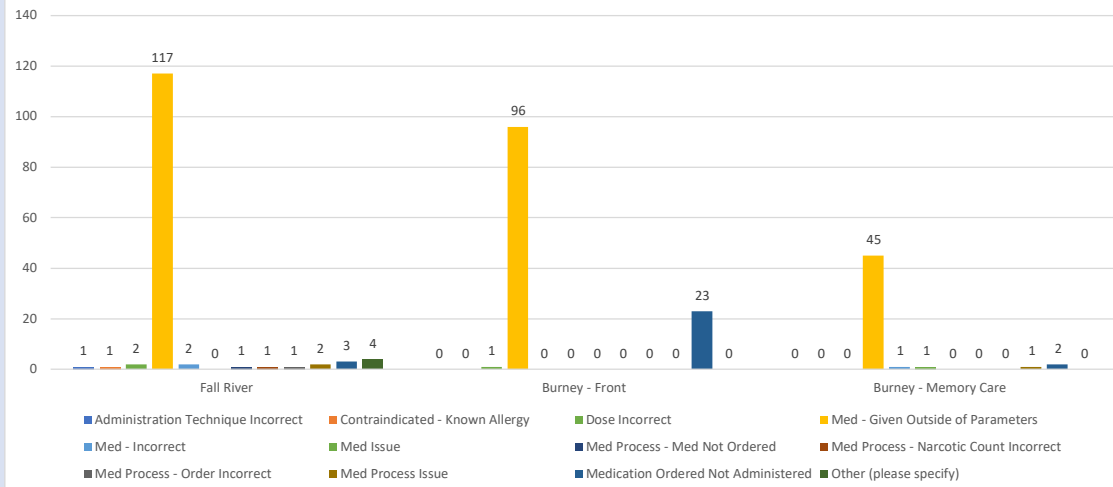
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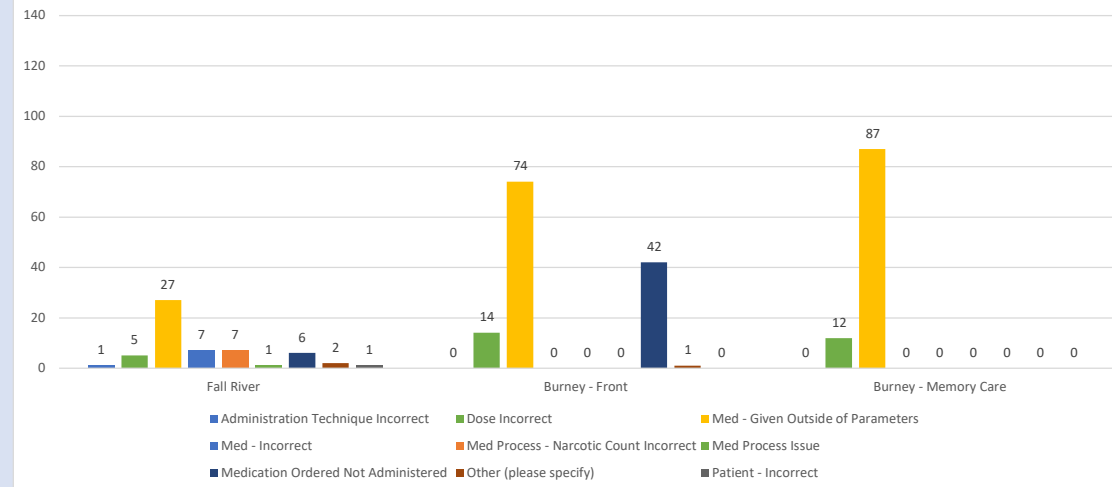
RL6 Reported Events



Type of Error SNF - 2021



Type of Error SNF - 2022



MMHD ACHC QAPI Implementation A3

Mayers Memorial Hospital District -

Sponsor: Chris Bjornberg

Process Owner: Jack Hathaway

Author: Jack Hathaway

Revision #: 1

Team: MMH District Wide

Trainee: N/A

Last Update: 1/5/23

1. Background: *What problem are you talking about and why?*

Mayers Memorial Hospital District leadership has decided to move forward with third-party accreditation for deemed status through ACHC. In order to be successful in the accreditation survey the Quality department and managers throughout the district will have to work together to get the new standards out and get everyone educated on where we need to make adjustments to our current state to succeed.

2. Current Conditions: *Where do things stand now?*

Currently, our hospital has been working under the licensing and certification surveys provided by the California Department of Public Health. We have been successful in all of our past licensing and certification surveys done with the state, finding only normal level deficiencies during survey. While there is work to be done as a part of a true QAPI process that is living and ongoing, the service provided in our hospital to the patients who come is always within the standard of care and in compliance with all of the conditions of participation mandated by CMS.

3. Target Conditions (Goal(s)): *What specific outcome is required?*

Our goal is to have successful accreditation through ACHC and continue to raise the bar for care and quality outcomes for all those that we serve.

4. Gap Analysis: *Why does the problem or need exist?*

The need arose as we continued to improve and see room for growth. There are certain advantages to third-party accreditation that can assist us in our work to become the provider of choice in our region. With the knowledge that third-party accreditation brings a higher standard would be held with the state survey process we choose to move forward towards that higher standard to help drive us in the right direction, towards that high reliable organization goal of consistently better outcomes on the path to zero harm.

5. Experiments: *What do you propose and why?*

This is a pretty straightforward proposal - we read the accreditation manual - or at least get familiar enough to know its contents and how all of it will apply to all of our services and we make changes to be sure that we are in line with the requirements for accreditation. This will consist of working with our ACHC accreditation team and all of our staff to be sure that we are at the right place at the right time to be successful in our move for ACHC accreditation and recognition.

6. Action Plan: *How will you implement? 4Ws, 1H*

This plan will be implemented by working together with our ACHC counterparts and moving the work we do to meet the standards published by ACHC where needed.

7. Study, Reflect, Plan Next Steps: *How will you assure ongoing PDSA?*

This process will become the center of our QAPI work and be followed closely to be sure that we can meet our tri-annual survey requirements.

Suppliers	Inputs	Process	Outputs	Customers
MMHD	Current Process and workflows	Current state processes	Baseline for starting work	ACHC
ACHC	Standards and Conditions of Participation	ACHC Survey	Accreditation	MMHD
MMHD	Standard work and process improvement	QAPI	Improved patient outcomes	Those we serve
Those we serve	Patient Encounters	Patient Care	Improved patient outcomes	Those we serve
Those we serve	Improved patient experience	HCAHPS	Improved HCAHPS scores and overall view of the District	MMHD

MMHD SNF Blood Pressure Medication Administration A3

True North -

Sponsor: Keith Earnest

Process Owner: Britany Hammons

Author: Jack Hathaway

Revision #: 1

Team: SNF/Pharm

Trainee: N/A

Last Update: 12/14/22

1. Background: *What problem are you talking about and why?*

As a normal part of monthly reviews our Pharmacist follows administration of medications in our skilled nursing. This review found a trend that some blood pressure medications were being given incorrectly - outside of order parameters.

2. Current Conditions: *Where do things stand now?*

Currently, after tracking and education and work with the providers to make orders more clear for staff, we have found that this trend is on the right path; there has been a reduction of this kind of error in skilled nursing. Monthly reviews are still a normal part of our review process and they have shown improvement.

3. Target Conditions (Goal(s)): *What specific outcome is required?*

Our goal is to have a zero harm and highly reliable process where we know that all medications are given to our residents in skilled nursing are given following all of the parameters of the orders that the providers have given. The specific outcome required is that we become 100% effective in our medication administration in the skilled nursing facility.

4. Gap Analysis: *Why does the problem or need exist?*

From our initial analysis we found that checking the vitals (blood pressure) before the administration of blood pressure medication, was not happening in an effective manner. At times CNAs would check the blood pressure and there was no standardized process for the necessary communication to the nurse administering the medication. In fact, there was no standard work on communicating blood pressure information at all - so if the measured pressure was extremely high or low there was no standard communication to the nurses to alert them to the issues found by the CNAs. We also found that at the time it was not a common practice for nurses administering medications to check vitals themselves before administering medications. This led to nurses administering medications being unaware of blood pressures and therefore not being able to follow the order parameters - because they did not know if the blood pressure fell within the parameters for administering the medication.

5. Experiments: *What do you propose and why?*

Education is vital to helping staff understand the why behind the ask. To address this education is centered around communicating expectations held for staff that they follow orders and why that is so important to follow orders including the parameters around the orders that have to do with vitals and give/hold instructions from providers. Additionally, when conventional education and explanations of why do not lend themselves to improvement we will move to individual coaching and other specific individually designed interventions that can work at the individual staff level.

6. Action Plan: *How will you implement? 4Ws, 1H*

Who: At the end of the month pharmacy supplies us with data about our success in following order parameters for administering blood pressure medications (and all other medications) as a part of his monthly review. Then we pass that information along to Brit who can then have conversations (when necessary) with staff to continue to see improvements. What: Monthly review from pharmacy is the key to this improvement data. When: This will be followed monthly until we come to a level of compliance that we are comfortable with as a team (over 95% success in compliance with order parameters)
Where: This is a project that is in Skilled Nursing.
How: Keith (our pharmacist) will continue to provide information to us with his monthly reviews and we then (Theresa, Brit, and myself) will continue to analyze the data and take needed actions (education, coaching, planning for additional change, and so on) to be sure that we can meet this change in process as needed to deliver the best care possible.

7. Study, Reflect, Plan Next Steps: *How will you assure ongoing PDSA?*

This process will be monitored monthly until we have 3 consecutive months of success (95% or better) then it will be monitored quarterly moving forward.

Suppliers	Inputs	Process	Outputs	Customers
Providers	Medication order parameters	Medication Ordering	Safe and necessary medication administration	Nurses
Nurses	Medications out for administration	Medication Administration	Safe and necessary medication administration	Residents
Residents	Vitals for measurement	Taking Vitals (SNF)	Measurement of vitals to inform care for our residents	Nurses
Nurses	Decision to give or hold medications	Medication Administration	Safe and necessary medication administration	Residents

