

Medication Safety: Implementing a Multidisciplinary Approach

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According to the Institute for Healthcare Improvement, up to 46% of medication errors occur when new orders are written at patient admission or discharge. Changing a patient's clinical status or transferring a patient introduces new caregivers and creates the opportunity for misinterpretations or missed instructions.

Enhanced communication between providers, patients, and pharmacists is critical to reducing the likelihood of medication errors. Communication among those healthcare professionals responsible for prescribing, administering, preparing and dispensing, or monitoring medication is critical to optimizing treatment. Leaders must inspire teamwork and open communication.

This 60-minute program focuses on the value of communication pertaining to the use of medications, as well as how fostering an environment that supports excellent communication can decrease the incidence of medication errors and resulting harm to the patient.

Target Audience

This activity is relevant to the entire hospital and medical staff, particularly organization leaders, managers, supervisors, and staff responsible for performance improvement, patient safety, and risk management initiatives.

Objectives

After completing this activity, the participant should be able to:

1. Explain the value of communication pertaining to medication safety.
2. Define responsibility and accountability for medication safety.
3. Identify ways to foster an environment that can help decrease the chance of medication errors across the continuum of care.

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