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Dear colleagues:

We would like to place your patient safety initiatives and meeting announcements in this newsletter. Please send your notes for the newsletter to Leonard Lamkin, at lamkin_cpsf@iomc.org by mid-March for publication in the Spring 2007 newsletter.

Leonard Lamkin
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Get Involved with CPSF

CPSF Partners News

CPSF would like to welcome our newest partners: Grant Healthcare Foundation and MEDecision.

CPSF would like to thank founding partner Otho S. A. Sprague Memorial Institute for a renewal grant for 2007-2008

2007 Annual Scientific Meeting

The critical issues of patient safety have received a great deal of attention as of late. Several questions remain, among them: How do we act effectively in the face of uncertainty? How do we move ahead strategically, make gains and sustain them? How can we best implement and sustain given current realities?

Next March, the Chicago Patient Safety Forum will host a day-long examination of current ideas towards realistic, effective and beneficial implementation of patient safety strategies.

"Patient Safety: Moving From Concept to Reality"

Date: Friday, March 9, 2007
Time: Registration and Continental Breakfast: 7:00am - 8:30am
Program Content: 8:30am - 3:30pm
Location: Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois
300 East Randolph St.
Chicago, IL

Click the 'Register Now' link below to find out more information.
Register by February 9 to receive our lowest registration rate.

CPSF is now accepting abstracts for Posters and Storyboards

Click Here to Register Now!

CPSF needs your support

Individual supporters are the lifeblood of the Forum, join with the leadership of the Chicago Patient Safety Forum, who have reached a 100% level of giving. **Your gift of $200, $100, $50 or even $25 will make a difference in what we are able to accomplish on behalf of every patient in this state**. In addition to your ongoing daily commitment to patient safety – in the workplace, at professional meetings, in

informal gatherings – what you give today to help CPSF fund patient-safety initiatives will translate into saved lives – and a safer health-care environment.

Click here for instructions on how to make your donation to CPSF.

2006 CPSF Year in Review

CPSF has had a very successful and productive year. With with our ever-growing membership, we have made great strides in increasing awareness, involving leaders and legislators, connecting concerned individuals, and coordinating patient safety efforts. Here are a few of CPSF's 2006 accomplishments:

- Illinois Node for IHI's 100K Lives Campaign
- Co-planner of the Governor's Summit on Patient Safety
- Pediatric Patient Safety Consortium – the only one of its kind in the USA
- Framework for the Illinois Patient Safety Organization – based on S.544: Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act of 2005
- Annual Scientific Meeting – Largest regional patient safety meeting in the USA

Please welcome the 2007 CPSF Steering Committee

Our new Steering Committee listing will be posted on our website soon.
Join us in welcoming our 2007 Chair, Arnie Widen, MD, FACP.

Monthly CPSF Steering Committee meetings.

Open to all CPSF members. Click here for more info.

Expert Commentators

Several of our members are available to speak on patient safety issues.
Inquiries can be directed to Leonard Lamkin, Executive Director 312-431-9110 or lamkin_cpsf@iomc.org

Patient Safety Updates

Congratulations to CPSF founder Gordon Schiff, MD for being recognized with the Institute for Safe Medication Practices' Cheers Lifetime Achievement Award! For more information click here.

New Patient Safety Related Grants Available

Ambulatory Care Patient SafetyProactive Risk Assessment (P20)
Ambulatory Safety and Quality Program: Enabling Quality Measurement through Health IT (R18)
Ambulatory Safety and Quality Program: Improving Quality through Clinician use of Health IT (R18)

Open Field Review of Potential 2008 National Patient Safety Goals

Deadline: January 26, 2007
Click here for more information

Congratulations to these local researchers for receiving 2006 AHRQ grants for "Improving Patient Safety Through Simulation Research":

- Stephen D. Small, MD - University of Chicago
  "Immersive Simulation Team Training Impact on Rescue, Recovery, and Safety Culture"
- John Volenilek, MD - Evanston Northwestern Hospital
  "Simulation-Based Training Program to Augment Electroninc Medical Record (EMR) Based Hand-Off Tool"

Patient Safety Employment Opportunity

JCAHO is searching for a Director of Standards and Survey Methods.
Interested candidates please click here for more information.

Master's and Certificate Programs in Healthcare Quality and Patient Safety
Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine
Institute for Healthcare Studies
Click here for more information
Next deadline for applications is March 16, 2007.

Have your Patient Safety Project or Meeting listed here!
Contact us at 312-431-9110 or at cpsf@iomc.org

Institute for Healthcare Improvement 5 Million Lives Campaign

IHI's President and CEO, Don Berwick, unveiled a national campaign to dramatically reduce incidents of medical harm in US hospitals on December 12 at the 18th Annual National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care in Orlando. Building upon the unprecedented success of the 100,000 Lives Campaign, the **5 Million Lives Campaign** asks hospitals to rapidly adopt care processes that can protect patients from five million incidents of medical harm over a 24-month period, ending December 9, 2008.

In his speech describing the goals of the 5 Million Lives Campaign, Don Berwick, asserted, "We're going to reduce injuries from care. We're going to keep working with [Campaign participants] to end needless death, but we're going to add another aim: to end needless pain and suffering."

The 5 Million Lives Campaign aims to enlist 4,000 hospitals, challenging all to adopt up to 12 interventions – six of which were included in the 100,000 Lives Campaign and six of which are new.

The 5 Million Lives Campaign defines "medical harm" as:

Unintended physical injury resulting from or contributed to by medical care (including the absence of indicated medical treatment), that requires additional monitoring, treatment or hospitalization, or that results in death. Such injury is considered medical harm whether or not it is considered preventable, whether or not it resulted from a medical error, and whether or not it occurred within a hospital.

The following are the new interventions targeting medical harm:

Prevent Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) infection...by reliably implementing scientifically proven infection control practices throughout the hospital

Reduce harm from high-alert medications...starting with a focus on anticoagulants, sedatives, narcotics, and insulin

Reduce surgical complications...by reliably implementing the changes in care recommended by the Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP)

Prevent pressure ulcers...by reliably using science-based guidelines for prevention of this serious and common complication

Deliver reliable, evidence-based care for congestive heart failure...to reduce

readmissions

Get boards on board...by defining and spreading new and leveraged processes for hospital boards of directors, so that they can become far more effective in accelerating the improvement of care

Hospitals currently enrolled in the 100,000 Lives Campaign do not need to officially re-enroll to participate in the 5 Million Lives Campaign, though we would appreciate learning if you choose not to join. Hospitals will also be invited to reaffirm their commitment to this work — and identify the interventions they're working on — by meeting the requirements of the first data collection period for the 5 Million Lives Campaign. (For more details on data submission, see the "Measurement and Data Submission" section of the updated Campaign FAQs, http://www.ihi.org/IHI/Programs/Campaign/Campaign.htm?TabId=6#MeasurementAndDataSubmission.)

With your active participation, the 5 Million Lives Campaign will attempt the largest improvement in patient safety in American health care history. To express your support, ask questions, raise concerns, or otherwise communicate with the Campaign team, please contact cpsf@iomc.org for Greater Chicago and Illinois.

Your organization's patient safety news could be posted here!
Contact us at 312-431-9110 or at cpsf@iomc.org

Quarterly Commentary

Chicago Medical Society to launch city's largest simulation facility

The recent tragic death of a young girl at a Chicago-area dentist's office reminds us that seven years after the Institute of Medicine landmark report, To Err is Human, tragic medical errors continue to occur.

And with the hope that improved training can help prevent such tragedies from happening, the Chicago Medical Society will open a regional patient simulation facility in June 2007, while offering courses in as little as a few months.

Spending the past year evaluating the potential for such a facility, CMS visited simulation centers nationwide and spoke with Chicago-area hospital administrators who affirmed the need for a Chicago facility.

The Regional Simulation Center will be located in the Chicago Medical Society building, It will be the first large-scale stand-alone simulation facility in Illinois and the largest in the Chicago area. Its seven simulator-equipped rooms will include areas for operations, emergencies, intensive care, patient care and skills training. The facility will initially target individual and small-group practitioners and the code and rapid response teams of community hospitals. Future courses will target nurses, residents, and specialists.

Creating an environment that mimics the hospital or ambulatory setting as closely as possible allows trainees to have a more realistic experience without subjecting actual patients to risk. Each room will be equipped with simulators and standard medical equipment to appear exactly as it would in a hospital or clinical setting. The skills training room will have retractable walls, allowing for one large training room, or three smaller spaces. A designated room for obstetrical training is anticipated in the near

future. Courses will be conducted by expert Center staff, who will also train educators from hospitals to lead scenarios.

Courses can be customized to fit the different procedures and situations of area hospitals. Prior to the simulation, trainees will complete a pre-test to obtain a knowledge baseline and receive some online training. Following the actual simulation, they will participate in a debriefing. The debriefing allows trainees to discuss the simulation and view video of their performance. Trainees will then complete a post-test and course evaluation. Their feedback and improvement in knowledge will be used to improve future courses.

Start-up funding was provided by a grant from the Otho Sprague Memorial Institute with support from the Institute of Medicine of Chicago and the Chicago Patient Safety Forum.
For more information, please contact: Ellen Wuennenberg at (312) 329-7326 or e-mail ewuennenberg@cmsdocs.org

Patient Safety Products

Available Through CPSF

- *2005 Patient Safety Learning Collaborative: Medication Reconciliation CD-ROM* – $20.00 + $2.00 S&H
- *Things You Should Know Before Entering the Hospital* DVD – $29.95 + $4.95 S&H
- *Getting Results: Reliably Communicating and Acting on Critical Test Results* – Gordon Schiff, MD, Editor – $75.00 + $4.95 S&H
- Coming Soon – DVD-ROM of video and material presented at CPSF 2006 Annual Scientific Meeting – Estimated price: $20.00 + $2.00 S&H

Call 312-431-9110 or email cpsf@iomc.org for information on ordering

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