Safety

**Patient Safety Alert: New Code Hemorrhage Team**

A new Code Hemorrhage Team has been formed, and a new Code Hemorrhage [page](#) has been implemented for patients in the operating rooms who experience unanticipated life-threatening blood loss. Activation of Code Hemorrhage will alert the appropriate attending surgeons and senior residents from vascular surgery and trauma/EGS, depending on the time of day.

**New Opti Grab’N Go oxygen cylinders**

In response to the issues we’ve experienced with our Opti Grab’N Go oxygen cylinders, the manufacturer released a newly engineered design to fix the dial from over-rotation. The hospital has begun distribution of the new cylinders to all areas of the hospital, which will occur over a period of weeks.

**Allergan BIOCELL textured breast implant and expander recall: What you need to know**

As you may have heard in recent media reports, the FDA has instructed the manufacturer Allergan™ to recall its Allergan BIOCELL® textured breast implants and tissue expanders. The FDA has determined that—although the risk is low—Allergan textured implants are associated with breast implant-associated anaplastic large cell lymphoma (BIA-ALCL), a rare and treatable type of cancer.
Hand hygiene adherence

Our rates are slipping, let's turn it around!

- Tableau: August 2019 was 83%

Quality

Updates to the peripherally inserted central catheter (PICC) service

As of Aug. 6, a new practice and protocol for the PICC service went into effect for adult patients. The updates are part of our continuous quality improvement efforts.

Nobody likes a creeper

Any access through Epic is considered an access to the medical record, even if clinical information is not viewed. Do not access a patient in Epic unless you have a clinical or business-related reason to do so. If you need to obtain contact or demographic information for your co-workers, such as birthdate, phone number, or address, contact your HR representative.

Patient experience

The COPE Team: Your support structure

The UI Hospitals & Clinics COPE Team provides emotional support to staff that have had a work related experience that might challenge their capacity to cope. Learn more about how you can get support or become involved in supporting your colleagues.

Patient comments about being included in decisions

From, “[My wife] was included in all issues and discussions,” to, “At times I felt powerless about my involvement in the decision-making process.”

Sign up for Excellence Every Time: Sept. 2019

Sign up for a morning or afternoon session, Tuesday, Sept. 24, or Wednesday, Sept. 25, at the Coralville Marriott Hotel and Conference Center.

Communication
New medical directors

A new addition to this communication section will be introducing new medical directors. The list at the link above are 14 new medical directors that began in their role since July 1, 2019.

Events

- Candidates for director of the Office of the Patient Experience presentations:
  - Phil Shaw, MEM: noon to 1 p.m. today, 2415 JCP (Elevator F, Level 2)
  - Julie Landsteiner, BSN, MOL, RN, CPN: noon to 1 p.m. tomorrow, Medical Alumni Auditorium, E331 GH (Elevator BE, Level 3)
- Team-Based Simulation Design and Debriefing: three-day immersive course, Oct. 14–16
- The 7th Annual Quality and Safety Symposium and Research Poster Session, Nov. 20 and 21
- Lean Improvement Model for Health Care Training, two-day sessions in October or November

In case you missed it

- UI Health Care FY19: Looking back (and looking ahead)
- First day of QSS to focus on harm reduction
- How we’re using data to bring quality and safety to life
- Wu named chair and DEO of Department of Microbiology and Immunology
- Patient safety alert: Bat intrusions
- Achieving the unexpected: How one unit drastically improved infection rates