

—Minutes—  
 Quarterly Meeting of the Arizona Rural Quality Network Group  
 Wednesday, October 25, 2006  
 11:00 a.m.–Noon

Hospitals/Organizations represented:

Copper Queen Community Hospital  
 Benson Hospital  
 Sage Memorial Hospital  
 Sage Memorial Hospital  
 Southeast Arizona Medical Center  
 Carondelet Holy Cross Hospital  
 Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center  
 Health Services Advisory Group  
 Rural Health Office

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on last meeting's action items</li> </ul>	<p>Only one hospital submitted names of agencies used to hire temporary nurses; this was distributed via the list serve.</p>	<p>No action required and all felt compiling a comprehensive list was not required/needed.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in UA College of Nursing Grand Rounds</li> </ul>	<p>Joyce described her discussion with Dr. Cathy Michaels of the UA College of Nursing about informing the rural hospital nursing and quality managers about Nursing Grand Rounds offered by the College. Several of those on the call expressed interest.</p>	<p>Joyce will get the Nursing Grand Round schedule and distribute to the list serve.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nursing Students Shadowing Hospital Staff</li> </ul>	<p>Another topic Joyce brainstormed with Dr. Michaels about was the idea of having nursing students “shadow” the nursing staff at the hospital. Three of the hospitals on the call expressed interest.</p>	<p>Those interested include Benson Hospital, Copper Queen Community Hospital, and Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center. Joyce needs to get more specific information, i.e., the number of students per visit. Only one or two at a time is preferred.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joint QI/PI Project</li> </ul>	<p>Joyce introduced the idea of having the ARQNG identify a common QI/PI project that all could agree on to track outcomes/impact. Mt. Graham mentioned patient falls as one of the core patient goals they have identified. Benson agreed.</p> <p>Judith suggested the group consider any of the Core Measures of the Hospital Quality Alliance (HQA).</p> <p>Sage Memorial is focusing on providing to patients over 65 the pneumonia vaccination, a HQA core measure. As well, they are focusing on medical errors, specifically Code Blue. Others on the call indicated that they are doing the same.</p>	<p>Those on the call liked the idea and agreed to send to Joyce a description of some of the projects each hospital is working on. She will compile and distribute to the list serve with the goal of having a common project for the Network.</p> <p>Dawn from Benson also agreed to provide the source of a report about US and UK hospital quality issues.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8<sup>th</sup> Scope of Work Update</li> </ul>	<p>Judith recommended that all hospitals submit their data monthly in lieu of waiting until quarterly. This will (1) allow hospitals to review their data more timely for quality improvement, (2) allow more time to solve unforeseen problems with data abstraction and submission, and (3)</p>	<p>Collect and submit data monthly.</p>

	<p>prevent a last-minute rush.</p> <p>HSAG is working with Stroudwater Associates to provide data to those participating hospitals.</p> <p>Judith gave an overview of what was presented at the October Hospital Workgroup (How) meeting, including a WebEx presentation by Dr. Dale Bratzler, QIOSC Medical Director on <i>Leading Transformational Change for Healthcare Quality</i>. See Link for all HoW materials</p>	<p>Link: <a href="http://acute.hsag.com">http://acute.hsag.com</a></p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication Reconciliation Project Update</li> </ul>	<p>Howard reported on the progress of the 4 CAHs involved in this project—Page Hospital, Southeast Arizona Medical Center, Little Colorado Medical Center, and Copper Queen Community Hospital. All are focusing in on the intake form, the discharge form, the medication history of the patient and the intake order form completed by the physician.</p>	<p>All 4 hospitals have agreed to continue data collection until the end of 2006. The final report will be completed and ready for distribution by January 2007.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other—Face-to-Face Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>Joyce asked those on the call of interest in meeting face-to-face in Spring/Summer.</p>	<p>Group is very interested. This topic will be an agenda item in January to plan for the event.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>August 2006 PI Summit Report</li> </ul>	<p>Report currently in draft form.</p>	<p>Report will be distributed to all those on the list serve once finalized.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Next Meeting</b></li> </ul>		<p><b>Wednesday, January 24, 2007 – 11:00 – Noon</b></p>