

Perioperative Nurses Bringing EBP and Research Alive

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Objectives

- State ways of creating an environment of "inquiry"
- Describe methods of promoting a culture of evidence-based practice and research
- Identify resources for overcoming obstacles within your environment

Mercy Medical Center



- 207 Private Inpatient Beds
- ANCC Magnet Designated Hospital
- Ranked #2 hospital in Maryland
- Named Top 100 Hospitals by Reuters
- Best Places to Work by Baltimore Magazine
- Performed approximately 22,500 surgical procedures last year
- Peri-Operative Services:
 - 20 OR's Bunting and Weinberg Building
 - 26 Pre-Op bays Bunting and Weinberg Building
 - 35 PACU bays Bunting and Weinberg Building
 - 7 OR's McAuley Surgery Center
 - 10 Pre-Op/PACU bays McAuley Center
 - 2 OR's Foot & Ankle Reconstruction Center
 - 6 Pre-Op/PACU bays F&A Center

Perioperative Nurses

Results of Creating an Environment of INQUIRY

11	Current QI/EBP projects	75	BSN
10	Completed QI/EBP projects	8	MSN
2	Current Research projects	23	Enrolled in higher education programs
1	Completed Research project	35	Specialty certifications
15	Poster/podium presentations	16	Involved in the Clinical Advancement Program
3	Published peer-review articles	83	Involved in hospital-based and unit-based Shared Governance councils

DEDICATED STAFF NURSES

- **SHARED GOVERNANCE**
 - HOSPITAL
 - UNIT-BASED
- **MOVE PATIENT OUTCOMES**
- **ATTENTIVE TO EVIDENCE-BASED SOLUTIONS**
- **RECOGNIZE PROBLEMS**
- **TURN TO PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS**

NURSE EDUCATOR AND CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST

- **LEND SUPPORT TO NURSES**
- **ENCOURAGE ENVIRONMENTS OF "INQUIRY"**
- **ASSIST IMPLEMENTATION AND PROCESSES**
- **DIG INTO EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE**
- **EMBEDS EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE INTO PATIENT CARE**
- **REMOVE "SACRED COWS"**

MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

- PROMOTES NURSES' KNOWLEDGE
- APPROVES DECISIONS MADE BY TEAM
- TARGETS INPUT TOWARD PATIENT OUTCOMES
- RALLIES OTHERS TO JOIN-IN THE PROCESSES
- OBJECTIVELY SUPPORTS NURSES ENTHUSIASM
- NURTURING IN EBP PROCESSES

PHYSICIAN INVOLVEMENT

- COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE
- ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF CARE
- RAISE AWARENESS TO CHANGES IN HEALTH CARE
- EXPANDS INTERDISCIPLINARY COMMUNICATION

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Questions?



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