






**Critical Care Committee November 14th 2012**

Topic	Discussion	Responsible Party	Action	Follow-Up Date
<b>Patient Safety</b> 	An additional hypothermic machine is recommended by Dr. Bessette.	Critical Care Committee	The committee has not made a final decision on the need for a second machine based on the preliminary ytd # of patients placed on the hypothermia protocol (3 patients).	
<b>Clinical Quality</b> 	A descriptive exploratory design using a mixed method approach research titled, "The impact of Interdisciplinary Virtual Rounds in a Medical Intensive Care Unit," was presented. The purpose of the study is to implement evening virtual rounding in a 16 bed Medical Intensive Care Unit and to discover the perspective of the critical care healthcare team before and after implementation of interdisciplinary virtual rounds using the "Daily Goal Checklist". Critical Care quality indicators will be evaluated to determine the correlation between evening virtual rounds and patient outcomes. A pre and post-implementation survey will be use to gain the healthcare teams perspective. The survey will be provided before commencement of evening virtual rounds and six months after implementation. Quality outcomes will be measured retrospectively for three months prior to implementation and six months after intervention and trended monthly. Claudia presented YTD Code Blue data and requested assistance in reviewing code blue cases with a physician. Code Blue cases reviewed by a nurse and physician team can provide a broader perspective	Erin Salmond, ANM & Joanie Knuth, Critical Care Charge Nurse	The proposal was presented to the Research Council Nursing Committee and approved 11-14-12. Critical Care-MICU will start virtual rounds. Cristina Simeone Nurse Manger has requested and received 2 IPAD's for the virtual round process. IT has set up Skype Accounts for both IPAD's. This was reviewed by risk management for HIPPA compliance.	To be placed on the IRB Committee's agenda
<b>Engagement</b> 				



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