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AMSN Conference 2013 Nashville, Tennessee September 2013

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Conference Topics

Current Trends in Medical Surgical Nursing

- Med-Surg Nurses as Change Agents
- Transitions of Care for the Medical-Surgical Nurse
- Identifying and Addressing Malnutrition

Several Disease-Specific Sessions

Learnings to Consider for LVHN

Insulin Drip Computerized Calculator

- To Decrease errors
- Easy to utilize
- "Mobility Aid" position
 - Job is to walk patients and perform passive & active ROM exercises
 - Goal: To decrease LOS and readmission rates
- Nutrition Risk assessment on Admission
 - Focused assessment to assess and treat malnutrition

Sharing Learnings

- Learnings shared with Leadership Team and 6T Practice Council
- Learnings continue to be shared at the ACE Unit implementation group meetings (monthly) (Attended by 6T Director, Medical Director, and Volunteer services manager)
- Computerized Insulin Calculator was shared with Joyce Najarian as the result of another conference.
- 6T Leadership shared learnings with Administrators & Anne Panik on 10/7/13.

Next Steps

Where the rubber meets the road

- ACE unit Volunteers were given "Active ROM exercises" to perform with patients to increase mobility.
- Insulin Drip calculator? ... Would be nice!
- Coincidently, LVHN will be adopting a new Nutrition Risk assessment within the next few months!