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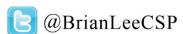


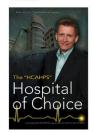
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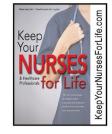


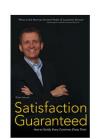
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Cleanliness MattersTM

Cleanliness is next to Godliness!

Question:

If your customer **could** choose you, **would** they choose you?!

Crucial Leadership Engagement Best Practice

Lead by Example

"We must become the change we want to see in the world." - Mahatma Gandhi

HCAHPS Domain – Cleanliness of Patient Rooms

Survey Question:

During this hospital stay, how often was your room and bathroom kept clean?

Domain Owners:

Leaders, COO, Environmental Services/Housekeeping Director, CNO, Nurse Managers, **Nurse Supervisors**

Domain Staff Owners:

Nurses, Housekeepers, CNAs, Dietary, & everyone who visits the patients' room

Current National Threshold (combined with Quiet at Night) is;

(Rated a 4 – "Always")

62.8%

What's Yours?



Why Cleanliness Matters

- 1. Patient perception = HCAHPS scores.
- 2. Cleanliness = healing.
- 3. Infections hurt and kill.



HAIs Defined:

Hospital Acquired Infection (HAI)

- Or Hospital Acquired Pathogen (HAP)
- Are diseases and organisms described by Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

Hospital Acquired Conditions: (2013 – not including falls and trauma)

- 1. Foreign Object Retained After Surgery
- 2. Air Embolism
- 3. Blood Incompatibility
- 4. Stage III and IV Pressure Ulcers
- 5. Manifestations of Poor Glycemic Control
- 6. Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection
- 7. Vascular Catheter-Associated Infection
- 8. Surgical Site Infection Following Specified Procedures
 - 1. Coronary Artery Bypass Graft
 - 2. Bariatric Surgery
 - 3. Orthopedic Procedures
 - 4. Cardiac implantable Electronic Device
- 9. Deep Vein Thrombosis
- 10. Iatrogenic Pneumothorax with Venus Catheterization



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Hospital Acquired Infections = Unnecessary Readmissions

Readmissions Due to HAIs:

- HAI has a negative incremental impact on readmissions that varies from 2-7%
- Nearly 1 in 5 Medicare patients discharged from the hospital are readmitted within 30 days at a cost of over \$15 billion every year!
 CMS Report, 2012

The Cost of HAIs:

- Impacts approximately **2 million** patients
- Approximately 100,000 related deaths
- Approximately \$30.5 billion dollars

The Bottom Line:

- CMS and Insurance Companies won't pay for Hospital Acquired Infections!
- The Hospital Acquired Conditions payment provision applies only to IPPS hospitals and exempts critical access and certain specialty hospitals.

Commonly Occurring Microorganisms in Hospital Infections

- Microorganisms and Nosocomial Infections
- Urinary Tract Infections
- Respiratory Infections
- Skin Sepsis and Wounds
- Gastro Intestinal Infections
- Drug Resistance Nosocomial Infections
 - **Risk** *1: Iatrogenic
 - **Risk #2:** Organizational
 - **Risk** *3: Patient Associated
- Routes of Transmission of Infection
 - Air-borne route
 - Spread via contact: Hands, clothing, catheters
 - Food-borne spread: Kitchen, insects, rodents
 - Blood-borne: Sticks
 - Self-infection: Lower bowel surgery
 - Other factors

Conclusion:

"Housekeepers are Life-Savers!" -The EVS Department at Johnson City Medical Center, Johnson City, TN

Recommendation:

Everyone is a Housekeeper!







Specific Best Practices

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Patient rooms are kept infection-free.
Regular in-sink hand-washing.
Take extra care when disinfecting a room previously occupied by a patient with a 'pathogen of interest.'
Alcohol-based hand-sanitizers are located throughout the hospital. Care-givers' uniforms, scrubs, and lab coats are fresh daily. If soiled in the course of the work-day, these garments are exchanged for clean issue.

Critical Housekeeping Tasks:

- ☐ Clean patient rooms daily.
- ☐ Perform twice-daily cleanings of patient bathrooms.

By the way...

You are not a Snitch when you share the things you've heard from patients, that patients haven't told their doctors or nurses.

If Patients are Absent from the Room...

Housekeepers leave a calling-card with time and date that informs occupant.

Priority Focus:

Cleanliness and hygiene issues produced by the patient require **immediate care**. These include:

- An unclean bathroom.
- Soiled bed linen or gown.
- A soiled bedside commode.
- Evidence of blood stains or other body fluids.

If No Housekeepers are Immediately Available:

☐ A clean-up needs to be performed, all staff are prepared to grab a mop and address the situation.
Question: Will this require a culture change?

☐ A follow-up call to Housekeeping after the event ensures a prompt secondary cleaning.

Blame Free Zone:

☐ Staff does not engage patient in placing blame on Housekeeping's failure to immediately appear.





Specific Best Practices (cont'd)

High Risk Surfaces

Check to be sure that **High-Risk surfaces are cleaned daily**.

Clean Machines

Also be alert to the **daily cleaning of equipment** and materials that you use --- or that are used by more than one patient.

Dietary Matters

When delivering trays, Dietary Staff ensure tray tables are clean.

Bodily Fluid Spills Suck

Phlebotomists take care to **avoid body fluid spills** on linens, floors, or other surfaces.

Be an Indoor Air Quality Advocate

Advocate for control and monitoring of indoor air quality to deter VAP/HAP diseases.

Be a Hand Hygiene Champion

Lead the way on hand hygiene and gloving protocols.

Recommendations:

- Lead your staff through this checklist, and agree upon an S.O.P.!
- Ask them what they need to do better --- or differently.
- Help them set new infection-control goals.



Tools, Equipment and Resources

Latest Tools and Equipment for Reducing Infections - From a report by Herman Miller Co.

Install patient room furnishings designed for easy cleaning, ie: surfaces without crevices.

Questions:	
Which one of these tools do you need to add?	
Which ones (that you already have) do you need to make better use of?	

Can you think of any other infection-fighting equipment you need?







Staff Skills and Behaviors

The ultimate in frontline engagement, Loretta, dubbed the patient satisfaction scores...

"My Personal HCAHPS Scores"

- Hospital Housekeeper

Recommendation:

- Empower *everyone*!
- Keeping patient rooms (and the hospital environment) clean and tidy is everybody's job.

Everyone is a "Clean Team" Member

☐ Staff awareness about cleanliness also includes taking personal action if anything about a patient's room is unclean.

Anyone and Everyone may report unclean bathrooms to housekeeping at once!

The Point:

We are *all* housekeepers!

Conclusion:

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Request Your CEO:

Issue a "Freedom to Clean" empowerment card (and on the other side of your card, your "Freedom to Silence" card.)

The Point:

You'll **never solve** your cleanliness problems until your **frontline owns** them.





Staff Scripting Recommended "Sentence Starters" – Examples

Managing Expectations Starts at Admitting:

"Our goal is to always provide you with a clean, safe, comfortable environment in which to heal..." "Please tell us if you have any concerns about cleanliness..."

Use "Behavior Labelling"

It's okay to let your patients know what we've done to keep them safe and comfortable: "Mrs. Smith, I always wipe down your door handles to make sure they're nice and clean..."





Sentence Starters (cont'd)

Clean and Tell

"Mr. Tilson, I noticed that Housekeeping was just here to clean and disinfect your bathroom for your comfort..." (This is "Behavior Labeling" again, there's no shame in calling patients' attention to our good work on their behalf.)

Be Aware

Most people hate scripting, and will tell you: "I am not a robot!"

Observation

Questions:

It takes **21 days** to form a habit!

Our Recommendations:

- Get your people in a classroom.
- Teach them how to use "sentence starters."
- Let them adapt the wording.
- Senior managers lead the understanding.
- Role-play "sentence starters" and "words that work."

Practice, Practice!

- Many staff-members need 'verbal first aid.'
- Model the use of 'sentence-starters' every chance you get.
- If you use them, staff will use them.

Regarding infection-control awareness, remind staff, "Words are medicine."

What will be your **first step** in creating this new language awareness? How will you teach "Behavior is Communication"







Collaboration from/with other Leaders/Departments

In Case You Missed It Earlier:

Request Your CEO:

Issue a "Freedom to Clean" empowerment card (and on the other side of your card, your "Freedom to Silence" card.)

Make it a "Clean Sweep"

- Everyone is empowered to notify Housekeeping about any places in the hospital that are in need of their service.
- Meanwhile, be willing to tidy up rooms and hallways on one's own as necessary.

We are all:

- Housekeepers,
- 'Clean Team' Members, and
- Life-Savers!



Leadership Competencies

Zen Coaching in 20 Seconds... - Source: Alan Landsburg

Leaders Coach their "Clean Team":

- *Engage* employees in the cleanliness task.
- *Encourage* them to be fearless in speaking up when procedures need to change.
- Empower them to take the initiative via the "Five-Step Coaching Model."

The Five-Step Coaching Model:

- Step #1: Communicate expectations. Clarify your hospital's cleanliness objective: To conquer
- Step *2: Opportunities and possibilities: Gain staff buy-in via their ideas for cleanliness improvement.
- Step *3: Ask what actions they're willing to take. Applaud their engagement.
- Step #4: Clear any roadblocks in their plan. Cheer their ideas.
- Step *5: Hear back the agreement and the HAIs' goals you've agreed upon. Happily follow up.

"Be a master of the job before you. Be a student of the job above you and be a coach of the job below you." - Adelfa Callejo, Fort Worth, TX, Attorney & Community Leader







Frontline Engagement Imperatives

Engagement by all staff in the fight against HAIs is not optional!

Do you have an effective team to lead your HCAHPS/clean charge?

- Service Excellence Council, or
- Patient Experience Team

Service Excellence Council's Role

Mission:

• Provide focused leadership to engage everyone to improve the patient experience.

Membership:

- 60% Management
- 40% Frontline

Recommendation:

Appoint an effective, representative Service Excellence/Patient Experience Council

The Accountability First Step:

Who Will do What by When & How?

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How so	on will you put it/them to use?		





Team DO IT Plan

Ш	1.	Cultivate a vital culture of awareness around hospital cleanliness.
	2.	Lead your staff through the 'cleanliness checklist'.
	3.	Encourage the understanding that "We are all housekeepers," all "Life-savers," with the "Freedom to clean."
	4.	Establish hand-washing as Job #1 (Remember to sing "Happy Birthday").
	5.	Schedule a 30-minute role-play workshop to get comfortable with sentence starters.
	6.	Maximize your disinfection regimen. Attention to high-risk, multi-use surfaces!
	7.	Coach Environmental Services/Housekeepers staff to be great listeners to patient concerns. Empower them to share that information with RN's.
	8.	Use "Behavior Labeling." Tell patients what your clean effort is accomplishing!
	9.	Deputize all hospital staffers as detectives in search of anything that impedes a maximally sanitized environment. Reward "finder-outters."
	10.	Dispel any attitudes that see EVS/ Housekeepers as "invisible."
	11.	Recognize staff members who take the initiative to clean when necessary.
	12.	Constantly affirm, model, empower and champion a "Freedom to Clean" culture.
	goo	ave a firm persuasion in our work – to feel that what we do is right for ourselves and d for the world at exactly the same time – is one of the great triumphs of human tence." — David Whyte, Crossing the Unknown Sea:

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