



Team Strategies and Tools to Enhance Performance and Patient Safety

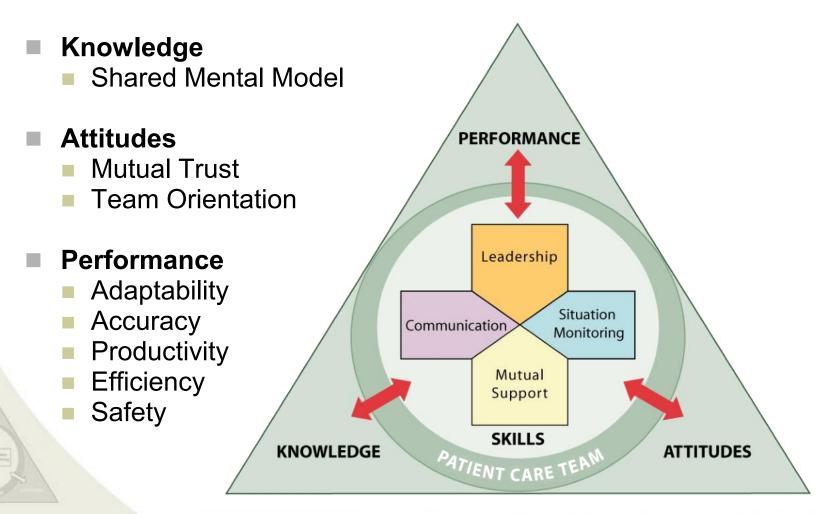
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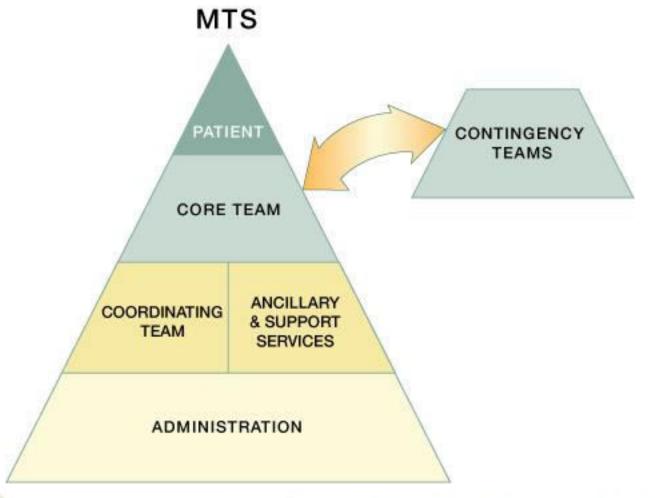




Outcomes of Team Competencies



Multi-Team System (MTS) for Patient Care



SBAR Provides...

A framework for team members to effectively communicate information to one another

Communicate the following information:

- Situation—What is going on with the patient?
- Background—What is the clinical background or context?
- Assessment—What do I think the problem is?
- Recommendation—What would I recommend?

Communication

TeamSTEPPS® 2.0



Call-Out is...

A strategy used to communicate important or critical information

- It informs all team members simultaneously during emergency situations
- It helps team members anticipate next steps





Check-Back is...



Sender initiates message



Sender verifies message was received









Handoff is...

The transfer of information during transitions in care across the continuum

Includes an opportunity to ask questions, clarify, and

confirm





I-PASS for structured handovers

I	Illness Severity	Stable, "watcher," unstable
P	Patient Summary	 Summary statement Events leading up to admission Hospital course Ongoing assessment Plan
A	Action List	To do listTimeline and ownership
S	Situation Awareness and Contingency Planning	 Know what's going on Plan for what might happen Review safety issues
S	Synthesis by Receiver	 Receiver summarizes what was heard Asks questions Restates key action/to do items



Starmer et al. Pediatrics. 2012 Feb;129(2):201-4.

Sharing the Plan: Briefs

- A team briefing is an effective strategy for sharing the plan
- Briefs should help:
 - Form the team
 - Designate team roles and responsibilities
 - Establish climate and goals
 - Engage team in shortand long-term planning



Monitoring & Modifying the Plan: Huddle

Problem Solving

- Hold ad hoc, "touch base" meetings to regain situation awareness
- Discuss critical issues and emerging events
- Anticipate outcomes and likely contingencies
- Assign resources
- Express concerns

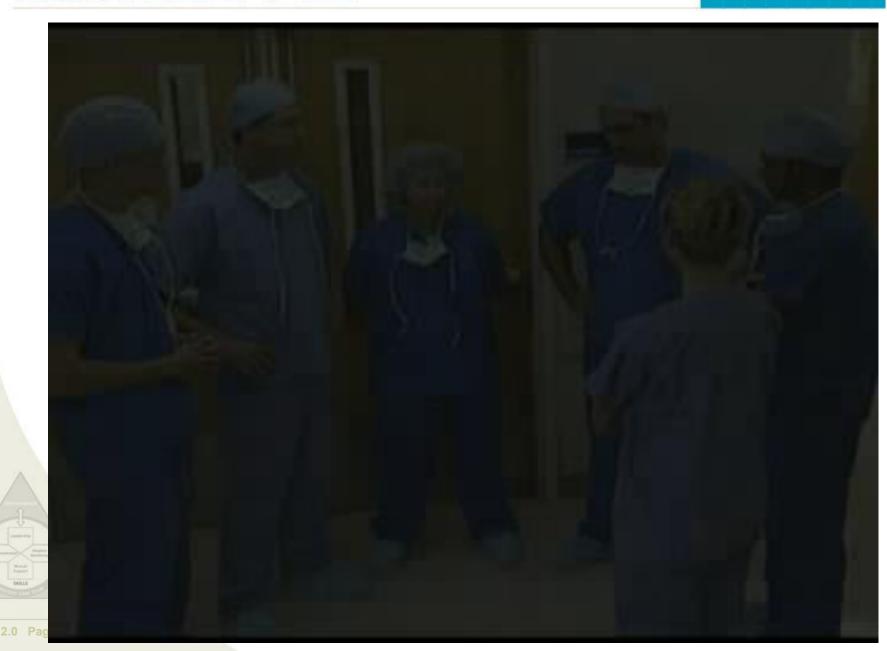


Reviewing the Team's Performance: Debrief

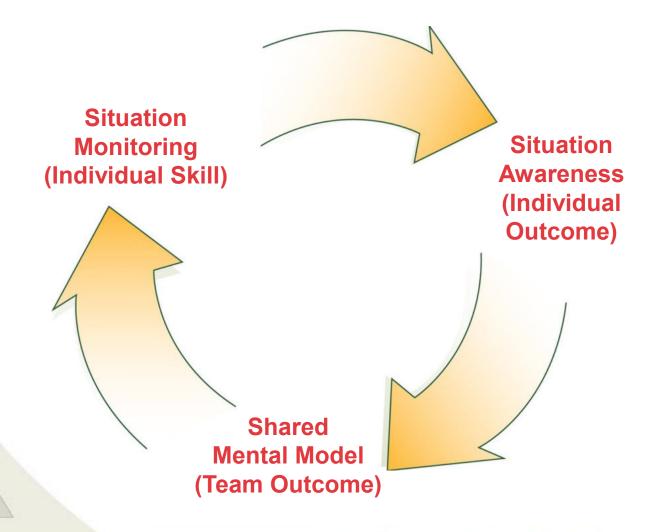
Process Improvement

- Brief, informal information exchange and feedback sessions
- Occur after an event or shift
- Designed to improve teamwork skills
- Designed to improve outcomes
 - An accurate recounting of key events
 - Analysis of why the event occurred
 - Discussion of lessons learned and reinforcement of successes
 - Revised plan to incorporate lessons learned





A Continuous Process

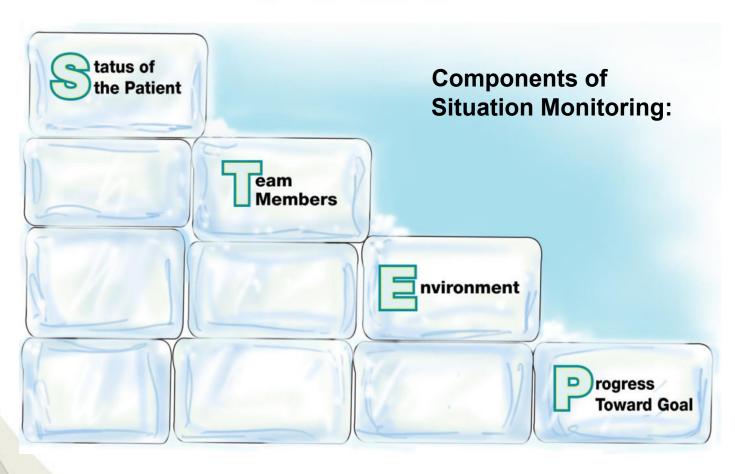


Situation Monitoring





STEP



Mutual Support

Mutual support involves members:

- 1. Assisting each other
- 2. Providing and receiving feedback
- 3. Exerting assertive and advocacy behaviors when patient safety is threatened

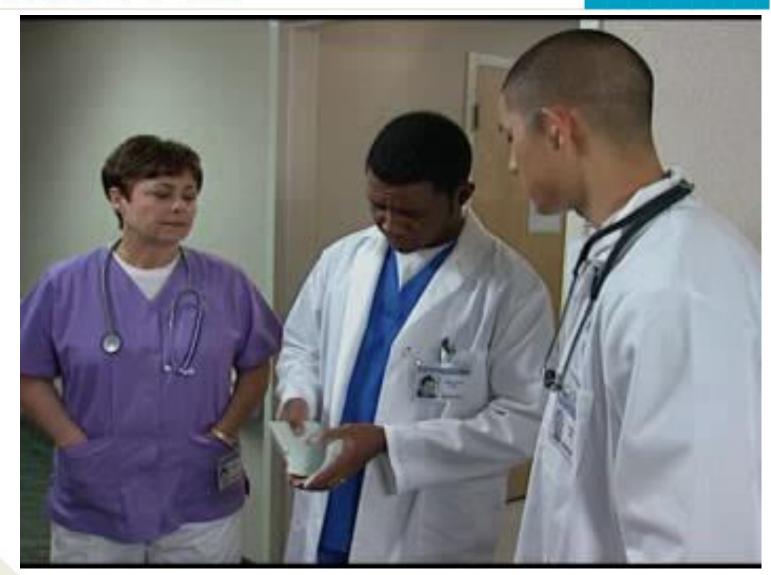


Please Use CUS Words

but only when appropriate!









Conflict Resolution DESC Script

A constructive approach for managing and resolving conflict

- D—Describe the specific situation
- E—Express your concerns about the action
- S—Suggest other alternatives
- C—Consequences should be stated



Tools & Strategies Summary

BARRIERS

- Inconsistency in Team Membership
- Lack of Time
- Lack of Information Sharing
- Hierarchy
- Defensiveness
- Conventional Thinking
- Complacency
- Varying Communication Styles
- Conflict
- Lack of Coordination and Followup With Coworkers
- Distractions
- Fatigue
- Workload
- Misinterpretation of Cues
- Lack of Role Clarity

TOOLS and STRATEGIES

Communication

- SBAR
- Call-Out
- Check-Back
- Handoff

Leading Teams

- Brief
- Huddle
- Debrief

Situation Monitoring

- STEP
- I'M SAFE

Mutual Support

- Task Assistance
- Feedback
- Assertive Statement
- Two-Challenge Rule
- CUS
- DESC Script

OUTCOMES

- Shared Mental Model
- Adaptability
- Team Orientation
- Mutual Trust
- Team Performance
- Patient Safety!!