



EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES/DEVICES

- Broken item(s)
- Disconnected
- Electrical problem
- Equipment malfunction
- Equipment misuse
- Equipment not available
- Equipment safety situation
 - Failed test of standard procedure
 - Preventive maintenance inadequate/not performed
 - Other (specify)
- Equipment wrong or inadequate
- Inadequate supplies
- Medical device problem
- Outdated item(s)
- Sterilization problem
- Other (specify)



TRANSFUSION

- Apparent transfusion reaction
- Consent missing/inadequate
- Event related to blood product administration
- Event related to blood product dispensing or distribution
- Event related to blood product sample collection
- Incomplete documentation on the transfusion record
- Mismatched unit
- Special product need not issued
- Special product need not requested
- Wrong component issued
- Wrong component requested
- Wrong patient requested
- Wrong patient transfused
- Other (specify)



OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS

- Against Medical Advice (AMA)
- Combative/violent behavior
- Confidentiality
- Consent problem
- Contraband
- Death or injury during inpatient elopement
- Death or injury involving seclusion
- Delay in service
- Deviation from policy/procedure
- Dissatisfied patient/family
- Electric shock to patient
- Identification of patient/site
- Inappropriate discharge
- Inappropriate physician conduct
- Other unexpected death
- Readmission within 24 hours d/c
- Restraint/Seclusion
 - Death in restraints
 - Death within 24 hrs of removal
 - Death within 1 wk of removal
 - Injury in restraints
- Patient Self-Harm
 - Anorexia/bulimia
 - Ingestion of foreign object or substance
 - Self-mutilation
 - Suicide attempt - Injury
 - Suicide - Death
 - Other (specify)
- Unanticipated transfer to higher level of care
 - Intra-facility transfer to higher acuity unit
 - Inter-facility transfer to higher acuity facility/unit
 - Other (specify)
- Other (specify)



EMPLOYEE/AFFILIATE ISSUE

- Burn
- Caught in/on/or in-between
- Exposure to blood/body fluid
- Fall/slip/trip
- Illness at work
- Needle stick
- Other sharps issue
- Overexertion
- Repetitive motion injury
- Skin tear/cut
- Strain/sprain
- Struck against/contact with
- Struck by/contact by
- Other (specify)



INFRASTRUCTURE FAILURE

- Administration/Management
 - Care ordered/provided by one impersonating a licensed HCW
 - Discharge of pt. to wrong family
 - Elopement/AWOL - no injury
 - Error in patient billing/records
 - Failure to report Health Department reportable diseases
 - Incomplete/incorrect order entry information
 - Missing or incorrect patient ID
 - Receipt of a strike notice
 - Other (specify)
- Capacity
 - Boarding patient > 6 hours after discharge order
 - Patient receiving care in area not designated for care
 - Use of unlicensed beds for patient care
 - Other (specify)
- Criminal/Potentially Criminal or Illegal activity
 - Consensual sexual activity
 - Disappearance of child from pediatrics
 - Disappearance of infant from nursery
 - Drug diversion/theft
 - Lost/damaged patient property
 - Misappropriation of pt./res property
 - Narcotics discrepancy
 - Solved
 - Unsolved
 - Theft of patient/visitor property
 - Violence/Abuse/Neglect
 - Assault by patient
 - Assault by staff
 - Assault by visitor
 - Confrontational behavior
 - Malnutrition or dehydration
 - Patient/resident neglect
 - Sexual assault/rape
 - Suicide attempt - no injury
 - Threat by patient
 - Verbal abuse
 - Other (specify)
 - Other (specify)
- Emergency Services/Response
 - Activation of Internal or External Emergency Plan
 - EMTALA violation
 - Hospital in divert status
 - Other (specify)
- Physical Plant/Utilities/Service Disruption
 - Disruption due to adverse man-made conditions or disaster
 - Disruption due to adverse natural conditions or disaster
 - Fire Safety
 - Activation of fire response plan
 - Fire alarm or sprinkler system out of service 4 hours or more
 - Fire on facility grounds
 - Interruption of utility service/unplanned power failure
 - Interruption or termination of any clinical service
 - Unplanned EMR downtime
 - Other (specify)



Event Reporting System

RL6:RISK

TAXONOMY



FALL

- Ambulating
- Assisted sit / fall
- Found on floor
- From stretcher
- Grounds of facility
- Hallways of facility
- In Exam Room/from exam table
- Lying in bed
- Sitting at side of bed
- Sitting in chair/wheelchair
- Toileting
- Transferring
- Other (specify)



MEDICATION ERROR

Dose omission
 Extra dose
 Inadequate pain management
 Medication list incorrect
 Med reconciliation issue at admission
 Med reconciliation issue at discharge
 Monitoring error (includes contra-indicated drugs, drug/food interaction, etc)
 Clinical (lab value, vital sign)
 Contaminated drug/biologic
 Deteriorated drug/biologic
 Documented allergy
 Drug-disease interaction
 Drug-drug interaction
 Drug-food/nutrient interaction
 Other (specify)
 Prescription/refill delayed
 Unauthorized drug
 Wrong
 Drug
 Dosage form
 Dose/over dosage
 Dose/under dosage
 Duration
 Patient
 Rate (IV)
 Route
 Strength/concentration
 Technique
 Time
 Other (specify)



ADVERSE DRUG REACTION (not a medication error)

Arrhythmia
 Dizziness
 Hematologic problem
 Hypotension
 Mental status changes
 Nephrotoxicity
 Skin reaction (rash, blister, itching, hives)
 Other (specify)



SKIN INTEGRITY

Abrasion
 Blister
 Burn (electrical, chemical, thermal)
 Laceration/cut
 Pressure Injury
 Stage 1
 Stage 2
 Stage 3
 Stage 4
 Unstageable
 Deep Tissue
 Rash/hives
 Skin tear
 Venous stasis ulcer
 Other (specify)



ERROR RELATED TO PROCEDURE/TREATMENT/TEST

Dietary
 Foreign body in food
 Incorrect diet
 NPO patient given food
 Patient allergy to diet
 Other (specify)
 Laboratory test problem
 Mislabeled specimen
 Result missing or delayed
 Specimen delivery problem
 Specimen label incomplete/missing
 Specimen quality problem
 Test ordered, not performed
 Test not ordered
 Wrong patient
 Wrong result
 Wrong test ordered
 Wrong test performed
 Other (specify)
 Radiology/imaging test problem
 Delay in scheduling
 Film unavailable/inadequate
 Incorrect reading
 MRI safety violation
 Not completed
 Not ordered
 Ordered, not performed
 Report unavailable/delayed
 Unanticipated radiation exposure
 Wrong patient
 Wrong procedure
 Wrong side (L vs. R)
 Wrong site
 Other (specify)
 Referral/consult problem
 Delay in scheduling
 Delay in service
 Report unavailable/delayed
 Other (specify)
 Respiratory care
 Medical gas problem
 Missed treatment
 Self/unplanned extubation
 Unplanned/emergent intubation following procedure/treatment/test
 Ventilator alarms inaudible
 Ventilator alarms not set properly
 Ventilator settings wrong/changed without authorization
 Other (specify)
 Surgery/invasive procedure problem
 Break in sterile technique
 Consent missing/inadequate
 Count incomplete/not performed
 Count incorrect - Equipment
 Count incorrect - Needles
 Count incorrect - Sponges
 Foreign body in patient
 ID missing/incorrect
 Preparation inadequate/wrong
 Procedure cancelled/not perform
 Procedure delayed
 Procedure not completed
 Procedure not ordered
 Unintended laceration or puncture
 Wrong patient
 Wrong procedure
 Wrong side (L vs. R)
 Wrong site
 Other (specify)
 Other (specify)



COMPLICATION OF PROCEDURE/TREATMENT/TEST

Anesthesia event
 Aspiration
 Cardiopulmonary arrest
 Death
 Intubation trauma
 Myocardial infarction
 Stroke
 Use of reversal agents
 Other (specify)
 Cardiopulmonary arrest outside ICU
 Catheter or tube problem
 Complication following spinal manipulative therapy
 Complication following surgery or invasive procedure
 Acute renal failure
 Cardiopulmonary arrest
 Death
 Deep venous thrombosis (DVT)
 Intravascular air embolism
 Myocardial infarction
 Pneumothorax
 Pulmonary embolism (PE)
 Removal of tube or other medical device by patient
 Stroke or other neurologic deficit
 Unplanned return to OR
 Unplanned transfer to ICU
 Wound dehiscence
 Other (specify)
 Emergency Department
 Discrepancy between ED interpretation of X-ray/EKG and final reading
 Left before visit completed
 Left without being seen
 Patient in 302 process eloped with injury
 Unplanned return to ED within 48 hours requiring admission
 Other (specify)
 Extravasation of drug or radiologic contrast
 Healthcare-Acquired Infection
 Antibiotic-associated diarrhea
 Antibiotic resistant organism
 Healthcare-associated pneumonia
 Intravascular catheter infection
 Sepsis 48 hours post-admission
 Urinary tract infection (UTI)
 Wound or surgical site infection
 Other (specify)
 IV site complication (phlebitis, bruising, infiltration, etc.)
 Maternal complication
 Death
 DVT (Deep Venous Thrombosis)
 Infection
 Intrapartum fetal death
 PE (Pulmonary Embolism)
 Seizure
 Unanticipated blood transfusion
 Unplanned transfer to ICU
 Uterine rupture
 Other (specify)
 Neonatal complication
 Apgar < 5 at 5 minutes
 Birth injury or trauma
 Neonatal death
 Undiagnosed or untreated hyperbilirubinemia
 Unplanned transfer to NICU
 Other (specify)
 Onset of hypoglycemia during care
 Other (specify)