





## CHART RL6:RISK TAXONOMY

<b>MEDICATION ERROR</b> 	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)
<b>ADVERSE DRUG REACTION</b> (not a medication error) 	Arrhythmia Dizziness Hematologic problem Hypotension Mental status changes Nephrotoxicity Skin reaction (rash, blister, itching, hives) Other (specify)
<b>EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES/DEVICES</b> 	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inadequate/not performed Other (specify) Equipment wrong or inadequate Inadequate supplies Medical device problem Outdated item(s) Sterilization problem Other (specify)
<b>FALL</b> 	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)

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### 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



Consent missing/inadequate  
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)

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### 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 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)

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<p><b>TRANSFUSION</b></p> 	<p>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)</p>
<p><b>SKIN INTEGRITY</b></p> 	<p>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)</p>
<p><b>OTHER</b></p>  	<p>Against Medical Advice (AMA)  Combative/violent behavior  Contraband  Deviation from policy/procedure  Dissatisfied patient/family (*only sites without feedback)  Electric shock to patient  Identification of patient/site  Inappropriate discharge  Other unexpected death  Patient Self-Harm       Anorexia/bulimia      Ingestion of foreign object or substance      Self-mutilation      Suicide attempt - Injury      Suicide - Death      Other (specify)  Restraint/Seclusion       Death in restraints      Death within 24 hrs of removal      Injury in restraints  Unanticipated transfer to higher level of care       Intra-facility transfer to higher acuity unit      Inter-facility transfer to higher acuity facility/unit      Other (specify)</p>

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<p><b>INFRASTRUCTURE FAILURE</b></p> 	<p>Administration/Management</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Care ordered/provided by one impersonating a licensed HCW</li> <li>Confidentiality</li> <li>Discharge of pt. to wrong family</li> <li>Elopement/AWOL - no injury</li> <li>Error in patient billing/records</li> <li>Failure to report Health Department reportable diseases</li> <li>Incomplete/incorrect order entry information</li> <li>Missing or incorrect patient ID</li> <li>Receipt of a strike notice</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p>Capacity</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Boarding patient &gt; 6 hours after discharge order</li> <li>Boarding patient after transfer orders recieved</li> <li>Patient receiving care in area not designated for care</li> <li>Use of unlicensed beds for patient care</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p>Criminal/Potentially Criminal or Illegal activity</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consensual sexual activity</li> <li>Disappearance of child from pediatrics</li> <li>Disappearance of infant from nursery</li> <li>Drug diversion/theft</li> <li>Lost/damaged patient property</li> <li>Misappropriation of pt./res property</li> <li>Narcotics discrepancy - Solved</li> <li>Narcotics discrepancy - Unsolved</li> <li>Theft of patient/visitor property</li> <li>Violence/Abuse/Neglect <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assault by patient</li> <li>Assault by staff</li> <li>Assault by visitor</li> <li>Confrontational behavior</li> <li>Malnutrition or dehydration</li> <li>Patient/resident neglect</li> <li>Sexual assault/rape</li> <li>Suicide attempt - no injury</li> <li>Threat by patient</li> <li>Verbal abuse</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p>Emergency Services/Response</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activation of Internal or External Emergency Plan</li> <li>EMTALA violation</li> <li>Hospital in divert status</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul> <p>Physical Plant/Utilities/Service Disruption</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Disruption due to adverse man-made conditions or disaster</li> <li>Disruption due to adverse natural conditions or disaster</li> <li>Fire Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activation of fire response plan</li> <li>Fire alarm or sprinkler system out of service 4 hours or more</li> <li>Fire on facility grounds</li> </ul> </li> <li>Interruption of utility service/unplanned power failure</li> <li>Interruption or termination of any clinical service</li> <li>Unplanned EMR downtime</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul>
<p><b>EMPLOYEE/AFFILIATE ISSUE</b></p>  <p><b>Volunteer</b></p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Burn</li> <li>Caught in/on/or in-between</li> <li>Exposure to blood/body fluid</li> <li>Fall/slip/trip</li> <li>Illness at work</li> <li>Needle stick</li> <li>Other sharps issue</li> <li>Overexertion</li> <li>Repetitive motion injury</li> <li>Skin tear/cut</li> <li>Strain/sprain</li> <li>Struck against/contact with</li> <li>Struck by/contact by</li> <li>Other (specify)</li> </ul>