



SAFETY HUDDLE...

Creating a Culture of Safety

Teresa Harvey, BSN, RN Brad Johnson, MME, RN

Safety Huddle was initiated in June, 2017.

In March, 2018, Safety Huddle Team Members reported a 20% increase in Safety Awareness, with a 100% improvement in communication between departments.



DAILY ISSUES

Threats to safety in the last 24 hours



Threats to safety today



Situations that may distract from patient care



Situations that may decrease our ability to think critically



High risk patients and procedures



Equipment, supplies, staffing deficiencies



Departmental issues affecting safe work



Interdepartmental communication about safety issues

PLAN OF ACTION

Engage Leadership

Keep meetings brief: 10-15 minutes

Establish a consistent time and location for the huddle

Foster a culture of safety

Reinforce the intent to improve care, not to place blame

Encourage everyone to speak up

Use a printed tool to track safety concerns

Develop a process to follow up on safety concerns

Leadership reviews last huddle and prepares key points for discussion

Safety Huddles are...

...Brief and Routine

...For Sharing Potential Safety Issues

...To Increase Safety Awareness

...Team Efforts to Develop a Plan of Action for Safety

FEBRUARY 2018
SAFETY INITIATIVE



Safety Huddle meets daily at 10:00 A.M. in the CCMC Conference Room