Intersection Between Accreditation and EBP

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**Intersection Between Accreditation and Evidence-Based Practice (EBP)**

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**What is Accreditation?**

- “Stamp of approval” from a federally authorized agency
- Examples of accrediting agencies: Det Norske Veritas (DNV-GL) and The Joint Commission (TJC)
- Supports federal Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services (CMS) and state specific Department of Health (DOH) regulations
- Maintaining accreditation means the hospital has “deemed status” to continue providing patient care for federal reimbursement

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**Accreditation at Swedish Medical Center**

- Swedish maintains four separate licensed and accredited sites
- Accredited by DNV-GL
- DNV-GL conducts annual on-site surveys to support, collaborate, and identify hospital improvement opportunities
- Overall, DNV standards support culture of inquiry
- Hospital ultimately has responsibility to create and maintain their own policies and procedures
- DNV surveyors hold the hospital accountable to do what they say they will do in policies and procedures

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**Accreditation & EBP Belong Together**

- Emphasis on safety and quality
- Both influence nursing practice
- Both aim to standardize patient care
- When used together, value-added hospital policies and procedures emerge

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**Example of recent (2019) Intersection: Preventing Medication Errors**

- Should Swedish require nursing staff to complete an independent double-check when administering subcutaneous insulin?

  **EBP Council literature review findings:**
  - Inconsistent definition of double-checks
  - Methodology limitations in referenced studies
  - Need to consider environmental interruptions, available time, error reporting, peer pressure, etc.

  **Regulatory considerations:**
  - Not a required medication management practice
  - Need for staff training (and documentation of training) to new policy
  - Documentation of double-checks
  - Evaluation of new practice

  **Logical considerations:**
  - Identifying process owners across 5 hospital campuses
  - Workload for implementation, sustainment, evaluation

  Reviewed all available information at system-level Medication Safety Steering Committee:
  - Would this practice change be value-added? Bottom line: No!

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